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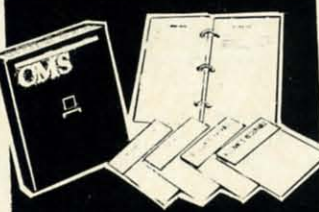
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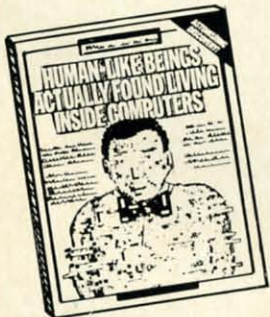
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for: C-64, C-128

This slick monthly Commodore magazine is chock-full of ads, lots of color and photos, occasional decent articles. Reviews are often out of date and, worse, not to be trusted. What can you say about a supposedly knowledgeable publication that prints shameless gushing praise for a turkey like the PLUS/4 month after month. Best features: MAGIC column, and STRASMA's 'Commodore Clinic.' (—B.D.)

In its September-October '85 issue, *INFO* (formerly *INFO 64*) Magazine reviewed all the major Commodore-specific publications. None received a higher rating than *Ahoy!*

Our review is reprinted here. In the interest of fairness, we've also reprinted the reviews of the other two members of the 'Big Three'—all three reviews word-for-word, exactly as they appeared in *INFO* Magazine.

We thank *INFO* Publisher Benn Dunnington for covering our segment of the marketplace in his usual hard-hitting style. And we'll try to stop fluctuating!

\*Source: *INFO* Magazine, September-October '85

# VIEW FROM THE BRIDGE

**B**y now the ad on the facing page has snagged your eye, and you know the story behind the banner headline on this month's cover. We invite our readers to share our joy in being rated number one by *INFO Magazine*, the highly-respected *Consumer Reports* of the Commodore marketplace.

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And now—the contents of the February '86 issue of *Ahoy!*:

One of our most original construction projects to date, Don Lewis' *Turnkey 64* teaches you to build an AUTO-EXEC cartridge for instant execution of a specified program upon power-up. A program for use with the cartridge is also provided. (Turn to page 53.)

And while you're in a hardware hacking mood, Greg Granville's *Aligning the 1541 Disk Drive* will enable you to deal with the universal malady of Commodore users. Greg also provides a program for determining if your 1541 is out of kilter. (Turn to page 83.)

Arnie Katz and crew present not one but two complete software surveys in this month's *Entertainment Software Section*—of flight simulators and individual sports competitions. Also provided are full-length reviews of *The Fourth Protocol*, *Decision in the Desert*, *Lode Runner's Rescue*, *On Track Model Car Racing*, *Law of the West*, and *Dave Winfield's Batter Up!* (Turn to page 41.)

Orson Scott Card's *Creating Your Own Games* returns with an explanation of *Little Windows*, or how to incorporate multiple windows into your C-64 game screens. (Turn to page 18.)

You never know what Dale Rupert will cover next—and, frankly, neither do we until the *Rupert Report* lands on our desk each month. This time he turns your 64 into

an Elementary Learning Machine—*ELMAC* for short. (Turn to page 34.)

In an expanded installment of *Commodore Roots*, Mark Andrews tutors assembly language students on *Memory Magic*—including how to copy your 64's built-in character set from ROM into RAM. Why, you ask? So that next month you can turn the character set into custom-designed text or graphics! (Turn to page 73.)

Beginning BASIC programmers are directed to this month's *Cadet's Column* for one of the more valuable lessons they'll ever learn—on structured programming. Additionally, Cheryl Peterson provides *Compuphobia*, a program you'll learn from and have fun with at the same time. (Turn to page 77.)

We're especially proud of this month's complement of ready-to-enter games—four of the finest ever to share an issue of *Ahoy!*:

*Treasure Wheel* by regular contributor Bob Blackmer simulates the TV game show of almost-the-same name. (Turn to page 31.)

*Head to Head* provides true two-player action as you and your opponent race to solve twin computer-generated mazes. (Turn to page 72.)

In *Arena* you wield a propellerlike spinner against fast-moving geometric shapes. (Turn to page 92.)

*Crabfight* combines two crustacea, a clam, and a pair of octopi in one of the wittiest games we've seen in some time. (Turn to page 69.)

There's much more inside, including *Reviews* of Cardco's *SMORE* cartridge, InfoDesign's *Edge* series, and other hardware and software (turn to page 57); a megadose of frustration in *Commodares* (turn to page 77); *Tips Ahoy!*, providing the best programming hints and short routines available from the Commodore community (turn to page 87); and the *Scuttlebutt* on all the latest releases for Commodore computers (turn to page 8).

A number of readers have called or written to ask what the extent of *Ahoy!'s* Amiga coverage will be. Our answer: it depends on the extent of Amiga's success. We're far more interested in servicing the readers we have now than in running the risk of losing them by courting new ones—which is what would happen if we diluted our present Commodore 64, 128, and VIC 20 coverage to include the Amiga. While we will be reporting on Amiga releases in *Scuttlebutt*, we won't be publishing Amiga programs or articles until we're convinced that a reasonable portion of our audience and potential audience are using them. As we write these words in early December, it's clear that that's not yet the case.

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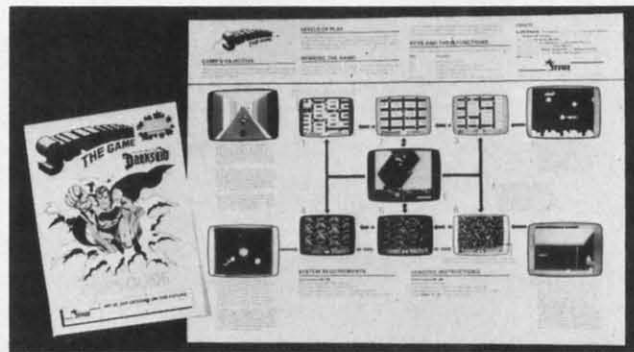
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Electronic Arts, 2755 Campus Drive, San Mateo, CA 94403 (phone: 415-571-7171).

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First Star Software Inc., 18 East 41st Street, New York, NY 10017 (phone: 212-532-4666).

*Battle for Midway* puts the C-64 user in command of the United States Pacific Fleet just following the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. Previously available in Europe, it is now available in the US from BCI for \$9.99.

BCI Software, P.O. Box 730, Ring-



**SubLOGIC's 68000-based software development team takes time out from their work on third-generation flight simulators to pose for the camera. Bless you boys.**

wood, NJ 07456 (phone: 201-835-7300).

*Epyx Sports Preview* enables C-64 owners to sample *The World's Greatest Baseball Game*, *Winter Games*, *The World's Greatest Football Game*, *Summer Games*, and *Summer Games II* for \$3.50 (\$4.00 in Canada). A \$3.50 rebate is offered for any Epyx sports game purchased before February 15, 1986.

Epyx Computer Software, 1043 Kiel Court, Sunnyvale, CA 94089 (phone: 408-745-0700).

SubLOGIC has enhanced its *Flight Simulator* (see *The Digital Blue Yonder*, page 41) for 68000-based computers, including the Amiga. Improvements include the choice of flying a Cessna 182 or a Lear Jet (by mouse or keyboard), pull-down menus for setting time or season and cloud layers by pointing a mouse-controlled cursor, multiple 3D windows for watching two or more views simultaneously, and control tower and spotter plane views in addition to the original nine. Each window can be individually adjusted for the best viewing angle, from wide-angle (1X) to super-telephoto (4000X).

SubLOGIC Corporation, 713 Edgebrook Drive, Champaign, IL 61820 (phone: 217-359-8482; orders 800-637-4983 except in IL, AK, and HI).

### PD SOFTWARE

64 GOLD, a library of public domain Commodore 64 programs encompassing games, word processing, extended utilities, communications, and education has been made available for \$5.00 each by the Blackship Group. A free catalog can be obtained by writing 64 GOLD, 3219

Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA 94110 (phone: 800-431-6249; in CA 415-550-0512).

### BOOKS

The *Command Post* reprint booklet combines all the material that ran in *Commander* magazine's Commodore ham radio communications column of the same name from September 1983 through June 1984. Besides teaching basic interfacing techniques for amateur radio applications and other control situations and reviewing hardware and software, program listings are provided for morse code send and receive, radio-teletype send and receive, duplicate checking and program exchange over the air. Price is \$9.95 plus \$2.50 shipping in US and Canada; overseas orders plus \$5.00 (full amount by international money order).

QSKY Publishing, P.O. Box 3042, Springfield, IL 62708.

More available details on *C-128 Internals* (\$19.95), preannounced in November's *Scuttlebutt*: the volume includes information on using interrupts, assembly language programming and Kernal routines, the Z-80 processor and the boot ROM, peripherals and the ports, programming for sound and music, the various graphics modes, and the memory management unit, the input/output ports, and using the 80-column chip for 640 X 200 point resolution, smooth scrolling, copying blocks in screen memory, character length and width management, and getting more than 25 lines on the screen.

Abacus Software, P.O. Box 7211, Grand Rapids, MI 49510 (phone: 616-241-5510).

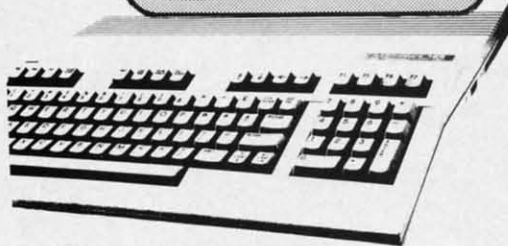
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Microcomscribe, 8982 Stimson Ct., San Diego, CA 92129 (phone: 619-484-3884 or 578-4588).

*Locating Computer Programs* (\$17.00) guides the micro user to over 300 sources of software information, including directories, books of programs, reviews, databases, and national software-sharing organizations.

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Sunburst Communications, Inc., 39 Washington Ave., Pleasantville, NY 10570 (phone: 800-431-1934; in NY, AK, and Canada call 914-769-5030 collect for orders).

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Lawco Ltd., P.O. Box 2009, Manteca, CA 95336 (phone: 209-239-6006).

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Electronic Arts, 2755 Campus Drive, San Mateo, CA 94403 (phone: 415-571-7171).

### ANTI-STATIC PRODUCTS

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Lamb's Information Systems, 301 N. Main St., Pueblo, CO 81003 (phone: 1-800-STATIC-1).

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Sanford Corporation, 2740 Washington Blvd., Bellwood, IL 60104.

### MACH 128

Designed for use with the C-128 or C-64, the *Mach 128 Enhancement Package* (\$49.95) will speed 1541 or 1571 loads by up to five times, provide 40- and 80-column screen dumps, and make DOS enhancements available on the C-64 and in all three 128 modes: 40-column, 80-column, and C-64.

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Included in the package is a disk containing a BASIC +4K program, two monitors, a disk organizers and catalog program, and other utilities.

Access Software, Inc., 2561 South 1560 West, Woods Cross, UT 84087 (phone: 801-298-9077).

### DISKORGANIZER

*Diskorganizer* (\$29.95) allows C-64 users to sort and rearrange the disk directory of any unprotected disk to meet specifications, and write the new directory to the disk. A screen editor permits changing the header, scratching, scratchproofing, and renaming files, writing files to another disk, marking off sections of the disk for easy reading and independent sorting, positioning individual files anywhere in the directory, and printing copies of revised directories.

The G.A.S.S. Company, 970 Cope-land, North Bay, ONT PIB 3E4 (phone: 705-474-9602).

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### CUSTOM BOARDS

New custom circuit boards for the C-64 and 128 from Micro R & D:

The MW-611 universal I/O board plugs into the C-64/128 expansion port, providing for 16 channels of analog input and from 14 to 16 dis-

crete outputs as well as an additional analog output. All outputs are programmable through BASIC, individually or in groups. Diode suppression is provided to protect the output from inductive kickbacks. Other features include an EPROM socket for custom programs, A/D and D/A converters, and a 16-pin footprint for experimental circuits.

The MW-150 is a terminal breakout board for any analog/digital conversion board, featuring circuitry for using a thermocouple amplifier with cold junction compensation to produce an amplified output signal from a thermocouple input. The device senses the junction temperature on the board using a temperature-sensitive amplifier and provides internal compensation. Also included are circuits for RC noise filtering and scaling voltages down using a voltage divider circuit.

Micro R&D has enhanced their MW-350 Graphics Printer Interface (see February '85 *Ahoy!*) to include a 4K buffer and a revised operating ROM that provides for switch settings for eight popular printer brands.

Micro R&D Inc., 3333 S. Wadsworth A-104, Lakewood, CO 80227 (phone: 303-985-4077 or 1473).

### GRAPHICS DISKS

Broderbund and Springboard have enhanced their popular C-64 graphics programs with new supplementary art disks.

*The Print Shop Graphics Library Disk 3* (\$24.95) provides 120 new designs, symbols, and pictures, including international symbols, dozens of business icons, 15 new Christmas graphics, and graphics representing myth and fantasy, the seasons of the year, animals, and miscellaneous designs.

Broderbund Software, Inc., 17 Paul Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903-2101 (phone: 415-479-1170).

*The Clip Art Collection, Volume 1* (\$29.95) adds 600 pieces of art to the 600 original pieces provided with *The Newsroom*, Springboard's \$49.95 newspaper-making program for the Commodore 64 and 128.

Springboard Software, Inc., 7808

Creekridge Circle, Minneapolis, MN 55435 (phone: 612-944-3915).

### 1541 CONTROL

The 1541 Control (\$34.95) mounts on top of the drive, allowing the user to change the device number, increase disk storage by 100%, and reset the computer, disk drive, or entire system. Installation is facilitated by an illustrated manual.

Micro Fabrication Systems, P.O. Box 1114, Delaware, OH 43015.

### INVOICING PROGRAM

*The Invoicer* (\$59.95), which lets C-64 owners produce bills on blank paper or preprinted forms, features batch or real time processing, user-defined smart keys, automatic letterhead formatting, sales tax calculation, line extension and totaling, built-in audit controls, and daily sales reporting with optional user-defined item subtotals. Tax, taxable sales, and nontaxable sales are automatically tracked. Statistical data such as average invoice amount can also be generated.

MiccaSoft, 406 Windsor Lane, New Braunfels, TX 78130 (phone: 512-629-4341).

### FUNCTION KEY DEFINER

*Screen Dump, Etc.* (\$24.95) defines the C-64's eight function keys for different tasks. Besides enabling you to print a C-64 screen of any resolution or combination of resolutions to a dot-addressable printer, the program will let you save screens to and load screens from disk, display screen memory allocations, perform decimal/hex conversion, and get HELP. One key is user-definable. All function key routines can be performed at any time, even during program execution.

IRQ, Inc., P.O. Box 457, St. Charles, MO 63302.

### MIDI SEQUENCER

Two C-64 MIDI products from Dr. T's Music Software (requiring a Model-T, Sequential 242 or 64-compatible, Passport, or Passport-compatible MIDI interface):

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The *DX Patch Librarian* (\$75.00), originally intended for creating and storing patches for Yamaha DX7 synthesizers, has been modified to permit programming of TX and 8-16 expansion modules without a DX7. It allows the C-64 user to attach a keyboard controller or external sequencer to the MIDI-in of the computer to easily hear his TX sounds.

Dr. T's Music Software, 66 Louise Road, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167 (phone: 617-244-6954).

### TALKING TYPING TUTOR

The latest of the Tymac Talkies, software-generated talking games, *Type-Snyper* teaches typing through 16 different exercises, with lessons ranging from proper finger placement to increasing speed and accuracy. Gameplay consists of an attack helicopter dropping bundles of words and letters that must be "destroyed" by typing them before they reach the city. Exercises are automatically adjusted to emphasize areas needing extra help. For the 64; \$39.95.

Tymac Controls Corporation, 127 Main Street, Franklin, NJ 07416 (phone: 201-827-4050).

### COMMODORE PRINTER

Hattori Seiko's SP-1000VC dot matrix printer (\$270.00) offers Commodore compatibility, bidirectional printing with logic-seeking, adjustable tractor and friction feed, a variety of print character sets, automatic paper loading, and right/left margin set functions.

Hattori Seiko Computer Peripherals, 1111 MacArthur Boulevard, Mahwah, NJ 07430 (phone: 201-529-5730).

### BASIC TOOLKIT

The *BASIC Toolkit* provides more than 100 new BASIC commands, allowing Commodore 64 and 128 programmers to add high-speed assembly language operations to their application programs. In addition to enhancing BASIC, the *Toolkit* boosts the Commodore operating system, with features like a directory listing command, straightforward disk command syntax, and a LOAD/SAVE function for graphics, sprites, and character sets. Built in is the Vorpel Fast Loader, Epyx's own rapid disk-loading enhancement for the 1541 and 1571 disk drives.

Users may print disk catalogs, text files, and program listings in BASIC. Commands are provided for sophisti-

cated printing utilities, as well as for incorporating joystick functions into programs.

Special graphics commands facilitate the development of application programs for home or business-use graphics. Graphics like those found in many commercially available games are made possible for users with artistic talent.

Each command is documented in a *Toolkit* manual that includes demo and utility programs plus a command reference card. Retail price of the program will range from \$34.95 to \$44.95.

Epyx, Inc., 1043 Kiel Court, Sunnyvale, CA 94089 (phone: 408-745-0700).

### GRAPHICS INTEGRATOR

From the makers of *Flexidraw*, the *Graphics Integrator* will convert picture files from one graphics package for use in another. Conversion can be made from hi-res to hi-res, hi-res to *Flexidraw* format, multicolor to multicolor, or multicolor to hi-res (with some conversion loss). Word processor compatible output with packages having an external file input capability allows the integration of text and pictures. The program can also be used to create self-running slide shows in hi-res, generate stand-alone picture files that can be entered as BASIC, and print pictures from

graphics programs not currently supporting printer drivers.

Inkwell Systems, P.O. Box 85152 MB290, San Diego, CA 92138 (phone: 619-268-8792).

### PRINTER ACCESSORIES

Via its two easy-to-install ROM chips, the Special Edition Kit for the Star Micronics SG-10C printer eliminates hardware selection of print functions and offers software accessibility of print modes such as near letter quality, italic, super- and subscript, density bit image graphics, and underlining. Star distributors will offer the kit free of charge to all SG-10C owners and purchasers.

Star Micronics Inc., 200 Park Avenue, Suite 3510, New York, NY 10166 (phone: 212-986-6770).

A Plug 'N Print Kit designed for the Amiga will allow users to print all 4096 of the Amiga's screen colors with the Okimate 20 printer. Included is interface module, data cable, color and black ribbons, and paper. For a limited time, kits will include a disk that demonstrates the picture capabilities of the Amiga's 512K model, as well as the Okimate's text font and the Amiga's graphics font capabilities. The kit will retail for \$99. (The Okimate 20 sells for \$169.)

Okidata, 532 Fellowship Road, Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054 (phone: 609-235-2600).

### SUNCOM PRODUCTS

Two new computer accessories from Suncom:

The Notcher (\$9.95) punches a hole on jackets of single-sided diskettes in the place occupied by the write-protect notch on a double-sided disk. While not intended to render the disk's second side useful for primary data storage, it will provide the user with a means of manufacturing backup or duplicate copies of important data disks.

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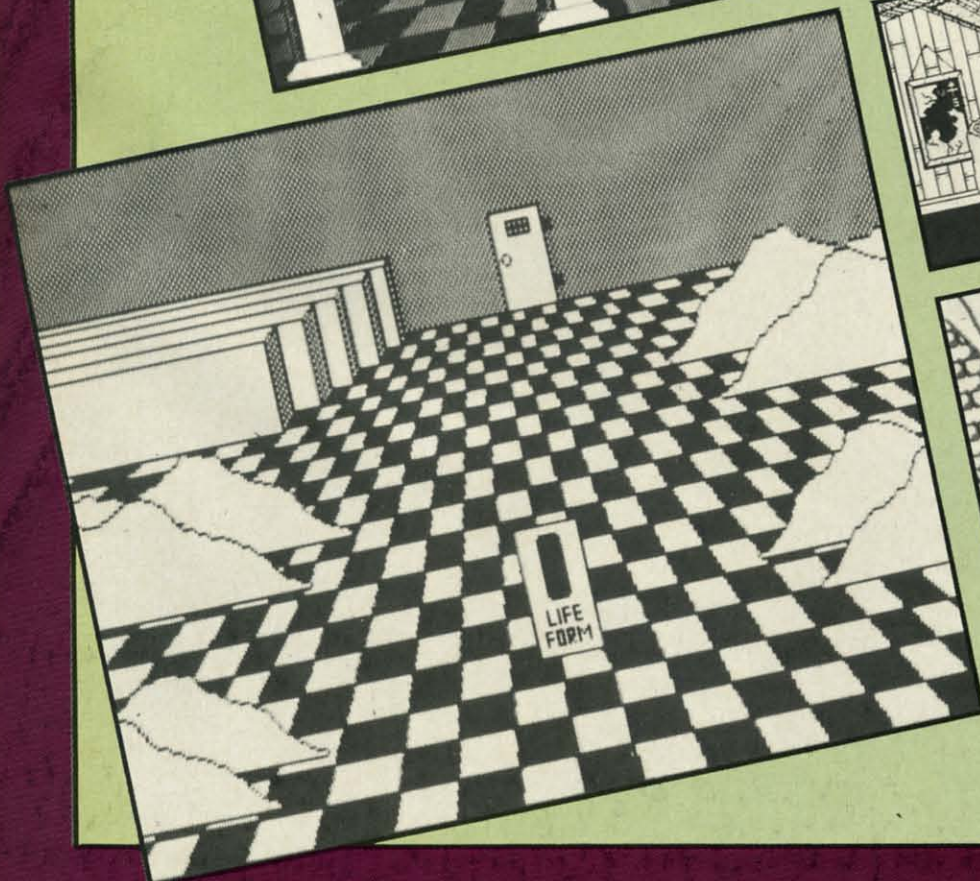
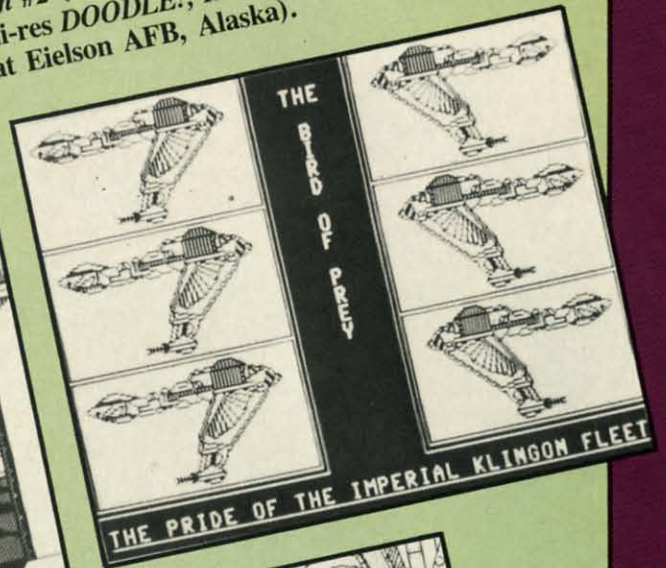
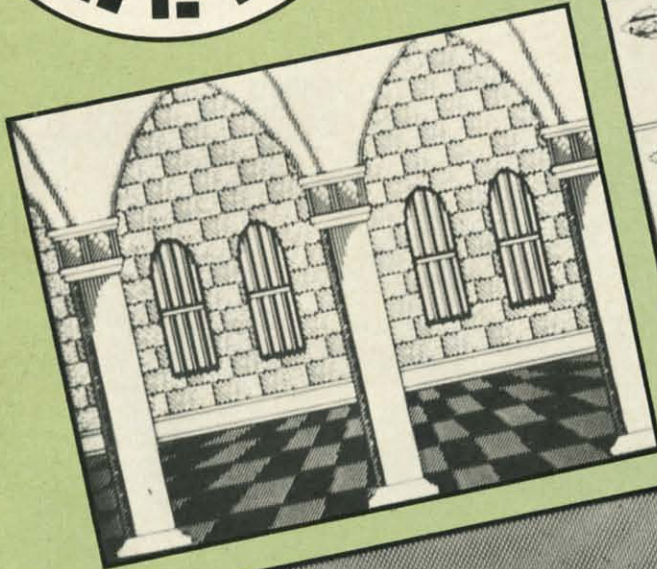
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# ART GALLERY

Steven Distasio's (Valhalla, NY) images in last month's Art Gallery were so striking that we've devoted this month's entire installment to high-resolution black and white drawings — five of them by Mr. Distasio, all rendered with **DOODLE!** and, like last month's contributions, all demonstrating the maximum resolution of the 64's 320 X 200 pixel hi-res mode: *Dungeon #1*, *Bird of Prey* (top), *Life Form*, *Hobbit House*, and *Dungeon #2* (below). In the lower right hand corner is another hi-res **DOODLE!**, *Hooked* by Michael C. Hulín (stationed at Eielson AFB, Alaska).



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The chart below compares **ACTUAL MEASURED** loading times.

PROGRAM	STAR DOS	REGULAR LOAD	MACH 5	FAST LOAD	MAGNUM LOAD
Pistop II (EPYX)	?	144 sec	43 sec	41 sec	31 sec
Music Shop (BRODERBUND)	?	105 sec	105 sec*	105 sec*	21 sec
Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (INFOCOM)	?	70 sec	70 sec*	**	68 sec*
On-field Football (GAMESTAR)	?	159 sec	66 sec	63 sec	56 sec
EASY FINANCE I (COMMODORE)	?	58 sec	13 sec	13 sec	11 sec

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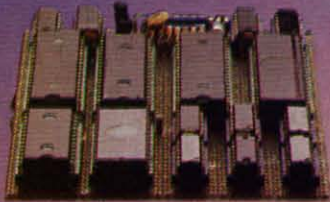
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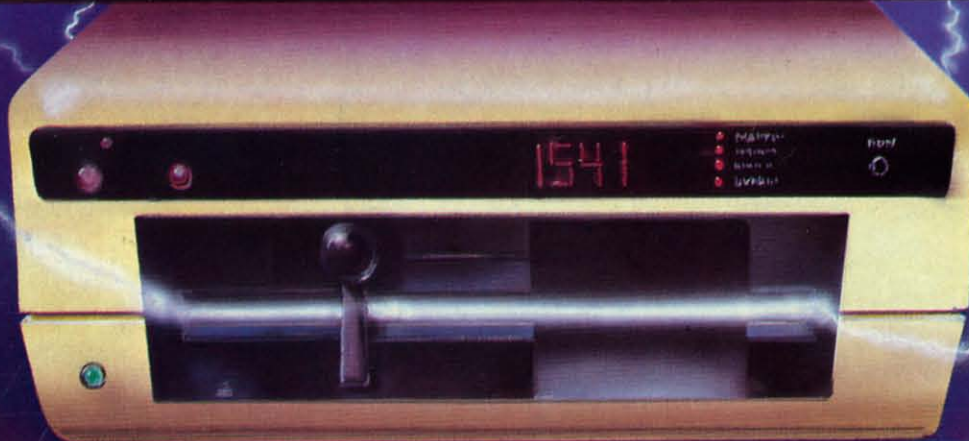


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# Little Windows



**How to use Extended  
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**By Orson Scott Card**

If the game you're creating relies heavily on text, the screen can get pretty boring. Of course, Infocom has shown us that if the story of the game is interesting enough, even plain vanilla text-only screens can keep our interest.

Remember, though, that the screen display isn't designed merely for entertainment. It is also your chief tool for *communicating* with the player.

By carefully designing the screen format, you can enhance the screen's ability to convey information clearly and quickly. If it also makes the screen more interesting—well, who can complain about that?

## **DEFINING WINDOWS**

The most obvious way to make the screen more inter-

esting is to change the foreground and background colors—and get rid of that boring light blue on dark blue. The foreground color (the color of the letters) can be changed by PRINTing one of the color-change characters (QUOTE, then SHIFT-1 through SHIFT-8 or COMMODORE-1 through COMMODORE-8). The background color is changed by POKEing a value from 0 to 15 into location 53281. And to change the border color, POKE a number from 0 to 15 into location 53280.

Another way to snazz up the display is to design a new character font, so we don't have to look at the same old letter shapes. We've gone through that process in detail in earlier columns—a year ago, if I remember correctly.

The trouble with both these changes is that as often as not they *interfere* with communication. Most char-



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acter fonts don't improve the clarity of the letters; nine times out of ten, they make the letters even harder to read, which very quickly becomes far more annoying than the boredom of the regular character set.

And changing the colors is interesting for the first few moments—but there aren't many foreground-background color combinations that have the right contrast to be readable for the long hours that the player will want to play your game.

What will make your screen more interesting *and* improve its usefulness is to divide the screen into "windows"—sections of the screen used for the same purpose all through the game.

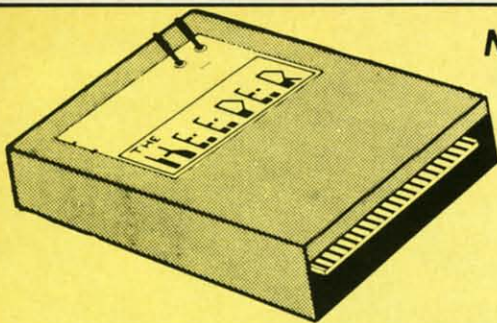
For instance, if you were creating an adventure game, you might reserve a small area—a single line at the bot-

tom, for instance—that constantly displayed the elapsed time, the character's strength and health, and how much electricity his flashlight had left. The player could glance at that screen line any time he wanted the information, without having to use up a command finding it out.

You could use another window to give the name of the room he is in and any other characters who are in there with him. A third window could contain a constant list of what he's carrying. The fourth—and largest—window would then contain the traditional command-and-response information that all adventures seem to have.

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Rather than give you more exaggerated claims about how many times faster our ROM chip is compared to the slower cartridge versions, a comparison chart is supplied listing MEASURED loading times.

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On big computers with window-oriented operating systems, the windows are used to show what's going on in several different programs running at the same time. Each program has its own video output, which it PRINTS into its own screen memory. Then the operating system copies that screen memory into that program's window in the main video memory.

It is possible on the 64 to do much the same thing. You could reserve 4K of memory, each K a separate pseudo-screen display. Then an interrupt routine would constantly copy the information from each pseudo-screen memory into a particular portion of regular screen memory at 1024.

When you POKE location 648 with the page number of one of the pseudo-screen memories, BASIC writes to that page. The interrupt program automatically copies what it finds there and puts it into a particular area of real screen memory at 1024. When BASIC is writing to screen 1, the CLEAR character will clear the whole 1K pseudo-screen memory; but in real screen memory, only screen 1 window will be cleared. BASIC never knows the difference.

But this uses up an awful lot of 6510 processing time, just copying one portion of memory into another portion, over and over. There are simpler ways.

For instance, as long as your windows are nothing but horizontal strips across the screen, with no vertical window boundaries, you could separate the windows by using scanline interrupts. You'll remember from last month that a scanline interrupt is a machine language program that executes whenever the TV raster scan reaches a particular line of the screen display. During that interrupt, your routine tells the computer to start finding screen memory in a different location.

You can do that as many times as you like on the screen. Furthermore, you can also make other changes—the background can be different, for instance, or the border can change colors—and those changes will also stay in effect until the next scanline interrupt.

That's what I did with the *Gypsy Pilot* program in the December *Ahoy!* Most of the screen showed screen memory located at 32K, which contained a field of stars (periods and asterisks). But the last two lines of the screen showed screen memory located at 35K, which held the strings showing fuel and supply levels.

(What I was really after, however, was a side effect: Since the sprite shape pointers are the last eight bytes of the 1K block that contains screen memory, when that scanline interrupt changed screen memory, it also allowed me to have the sprite shape pointers point to different shapes. In other words, below that scan line, my sprites changed shape. It happened that the shape block that those pointers pointed to consisted of nothing but zeroes. The result? The sprites all disappeared from that scanline on down!)

There is, however, another way to have many of the benefits of windows without all the machine language programming. And that is by using the Extended Back-

ground Color Mode built into the VIC-II video chip.

## EXTENDED BACKGROUND COLOR MODE

In regular text mode, the character set consists of 2K of ROM. The first 512 bytes contain the shapes of all the regular capital letters, the numbers, and the punctuation marks. The second 512 bytes contain all the graphics characters. The third 512 bytes contain exactly the same letters, numbers, and punctuation marks as the first block—only reversed, with the letter taking the background color and the background taking the foreground color. The fourth 512-byte block is identical to the second, with its graphics characters, except that it is also reversed.

In other words, all the letters, numbers, and punctuation marks you use to communicate with the player during an all-text game are contained in the first quarter of character memory.

That means that with only 64 different screen character codes, screen memory could point to every single one of the letters, numbers, and punctuation marks you need. Yet there are four times that many possible screen codes—256 of them.

Ordinarily, screen codes (*not* ASCII codes) 0 to 63 point to the alphanumeric characters; screen codes 64 to 127 point to the graphics characters; screen codes 128 to 191 point to the reversed alphanumeric characters; and screen codes 192 to 255 point to the reversed graphics characters.

In bitwise terms, that means that the two high bits of each screen code decide which 512-byte block of character memory that shape will be drawn from.

In Extended Background Color Mode, however, *all* the character shapes are taken from the first 512-byte block—from the alphanumeric characters. An *A*, a reversed *A*, a shifted *A*, and a reversed-and-shifted *A* all have exactly the same shape: *A*.

Now that those two high bits don't have anything to do with choosing which block of character memory will be used, the VIC-II chip uses those high bits for something else: choosing a different background color.

A regular, unshifted, unreversed *A* will have the normal background color wherever you PRINT it on the screen. Its background color is selected by the number (from 0 to 15) at location 53281. (This is background color 0, and the *A* in screen memory has its two high bits set to 00.)

A shifted *A*, however, gets its background color from the number in location 53282. (This is background color 1, and the *A* in screen memory has its two high bits set to 01, for a value of 64 added to the screen code for *A*, which is 1.)

A reversed but unshifted *A* gets its background color from the number in location 53283. (This is background color 2, and the *A* in screen memory has its two high bits set to 10, for a value of 128 added to the screen code for *A*.)

And a reversed and shifted *A* gets its background col-

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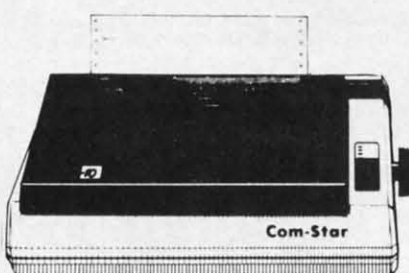
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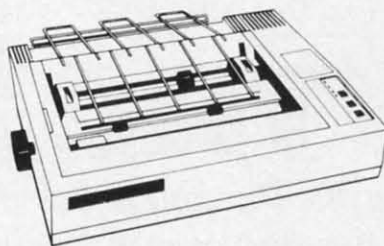
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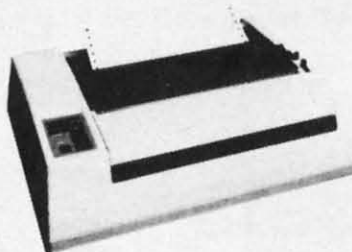
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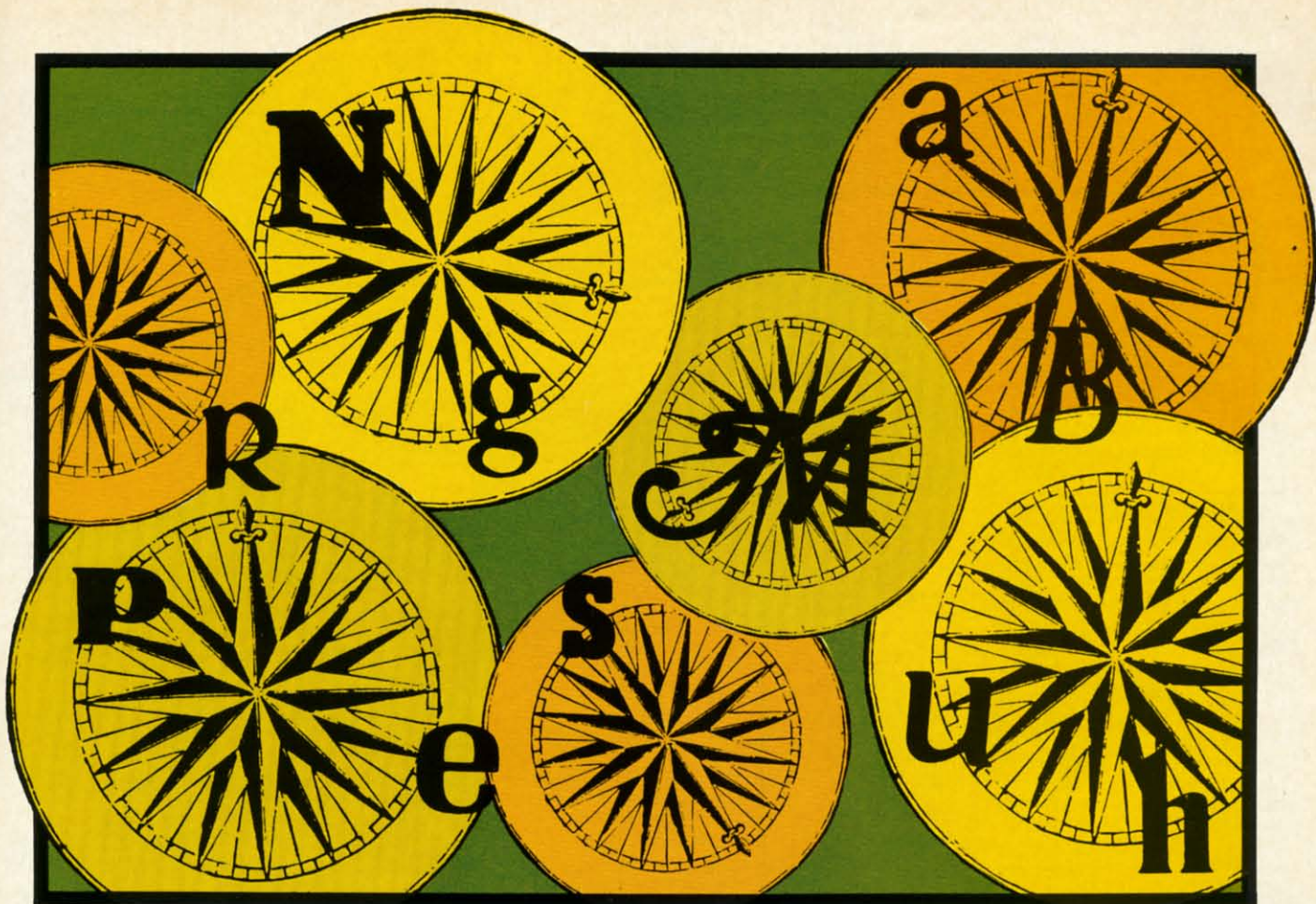
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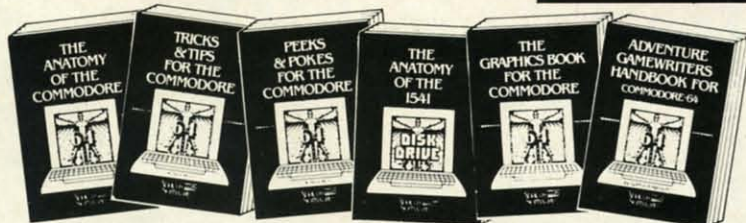


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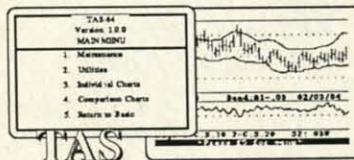
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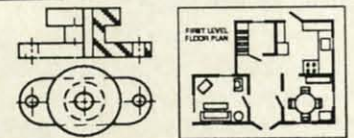
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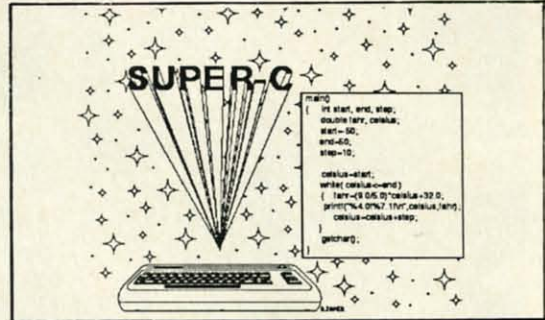
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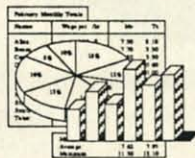
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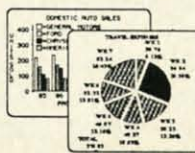
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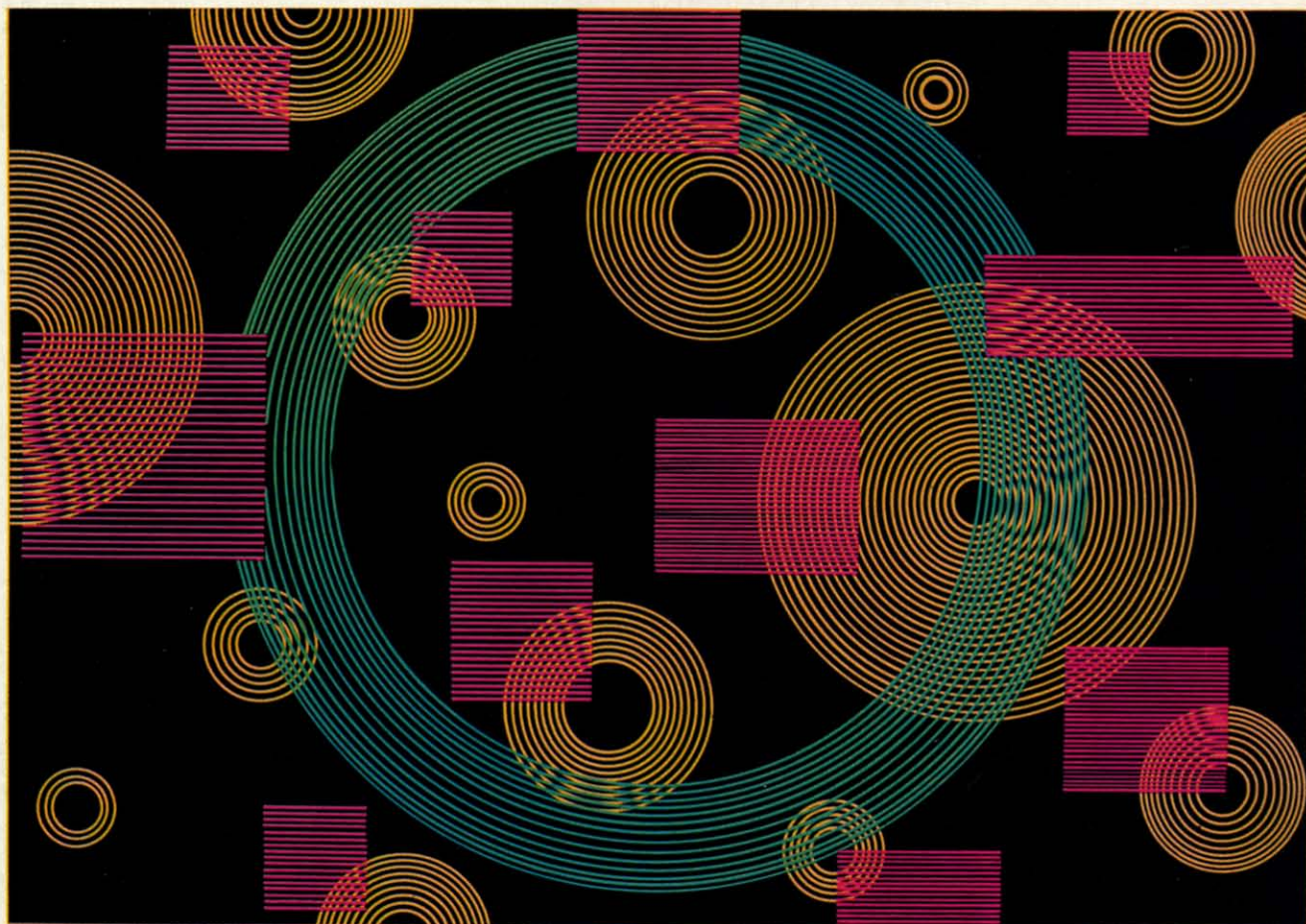
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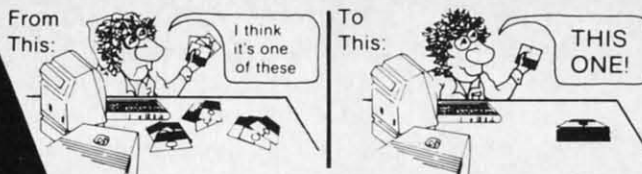
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## HEURISTIC OR ALGORITHMIC?

It should be clear from the outset that ELMAC is not programmed to be a good NIM player. It is possible to write a program which is a perfect NIM player. That is not the intent of this article or of the accompanying program.

ELMAC is a heuristic NIM player as opposed to an algorithmic NIM player. The heuristic player is able to adapt and to improve. In essence it learns from its mistakes. The algorithmic player uses a prescribed formula (or algorithm) for determining its moves. The two concepts are certainly not mutually exclusive. A playing algorithm for example might include some heuristic rules, and the heuristic player's moves are generally rewarded or punished according to some algorithm.

The game of NIM involves two players who take turns removing sticks (or other objects) from the playing board. Initially there are three rows containing three, four, and five sticks respectively. Each player in turn takes one or more sticks from any one row. The last player to take a stick is the winner. A game might look like this:

First player:	0	4	5
Second player:	0	4	1
First player:	0	1	1
Second player:	0	1	0
First player:	0	0	0

Initially the board configuration is 3 4 5. The first player removed three sticks from the first row, leaving the board with none in the first row, four in the second row, and five in the third row (0 4 5). Each board display shows the number of sticks in each row *after* the named player has made a move.

The second player took four sticks from the third row leaving 0 4 1. The first player then removed three sticks from the second row. The second player took the remaining stick from the third row. The first player then removed the last stick on the board, thereby winning the game.

There are many variations on this game, including differing numbers of sticks and rows and even whether the last stick drawn belongs to the winner or the loser. Martin Gardner discusses the game of NIM and algorithms for winning it in *The Scientific American Book of Mathematical Puzzles & Diversions* (Simon & Schuster, 1959). Martin Gardner also describes elementary learning machines in *The Unexpected Hanging and Other Mathematical Diversions* (Simon and Schuster, 1969). The machines which Mr. Gardner describes were built by readers of *Scientific American* in the early 1960s from match boxes and colored beads. Both books are high recommended reading.

## HERE'S ELMAC!

The program which implements ELMAC may be used in several different ways. (Refer to ELMAC Plays NIM on page 105). The easiest way to begin is to select the mode in which the computer plays against itself. Simply press C at the opening screen. In this mode, ELMAC

randomly selects its moves from lists of moves which have been weighted by rewards and punishments. ELMAC's opponent simply picks a move at random, with each legal move equally likely to be selected.

The statistics displayed at the top of the screen show ELMAC's win/loss record, as well as its current and longest winning streaks. After a few hundred games, ELMAC usually has a winning average significantly greater than 50%.

Once ELMAC has become smart enough, you might enjoy playing against it. Press any key to interrupt the current mode of play, and the opening menu appears. Press P when you are ready to play against ELMAC. The first player is chosen at random. If ELMAC went first, the screen displays the current board layout after its move, otherwise the initial rows of three, four, and five are shown. You are prompted to select the row and the number of items to be removed from that row. Only legal moves are accepted.

At the end of the game, the winner is announced. You may press any key and ELMAC's statistics will be updated before proceeding into the next game. If you want to allow ELMAC to pick up some more intelligence on its own, simply press M instead of a row number or an item number. You will be returned to the menu where you may select C.

ELMAC's intelligence consists of an array of valid moves for every possible board configuration called the "move array." You may save the move array to disk at any time during the game by pressing a key to stop the game and then selecting S. You must specify a filename. It must be different from any other filename on the disk.

You may also load a move array from disk at any time. Essentially this provides a brain transplant for ELMAC. Press any key to interrupt the game then select L. You must specify the filename of a move array which was previously saved with the S command.

ELMAC creates a move array initially with all legal moves having equal probabilities. You may look at the move array at any time by pressing any key to stop the game and then selecting D. Each board configuration and the associated move probabilities are scrolled. We will discuss the format of this array shortly. Pressing any key during the scrolling causes it to stop. You are asked if you want to save this array, just as if the S key had been selected.

Do not be discouraged by the length of the program. There are many comments throughout the program. Any REM statement which is preceded by a colon need not be typed (although REMarks will be very useful if you make any modifications to this program!). The program is written in a reasonably modular form so that you may easily understand and change it.

## ELMAC'S STRUCTURE

The data structure to implement ELMAC is somewhat complex. Perhaps the easiest way to understand it is to look at some specific examples.

The move array is dimensioned with DIM A(3,4,5,12). The first three subscripts correspond to the numbers of

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sticks in each row for every board layout. The fourth subscript represents the probability of each move being made from that board configuration.

Consider the initial values of A(1,3,2,1) through A(1,3,2,12):

1 0 0 - 1 1 1 0 - 1 1 0 0 0

(The -'s are placed between A(1,3,2,3) and A(1,3,2,4) as well as between A(1,3,2,7) and A(1,3,2,8) to help with this discussion.) When the board has one stick in the first row, three sticks in the second row, and two sticks in the third row (1,3,2), ELMAC chooses its next move from the values listed above.

The first three elements of the array correspond to removing one, two, and three sticks respectively from the first row. The next four elements of the array correspond to the probability of taking one, two, three, and four sticks from the second row. Similarly, the probabilities of removing one through five sticks from the third row are represented by the last five elements of the move array.

The first element, A(1,3,2,1), has a value of one, indicating that it is possible to remove one stick from the first row. Notice that the second and third elements, A(1,3,2,2) and A(1,3,2,3), are zero. This means that the probability of taking two or three sticks from the first row is zero. That's to be expected since there is currently only one stick in the first row.

The next group of four elements (1 1 1 0) shows that it is possible to remove either one, two, or three sticks, but not four, from the second row. The final group (1 1 0 0 0) indicates that there is an equal probability of removing either one or two sticks from the third row, and no probability of taking three, four, or five sticks. Again this is reasonable, since these array elements correspond to a board with only two sticks left in the third row.

One other element of the move array tallies the total number of move probabilities for each particular board layout. In the example above, that element is A(1,3,2,0). Its value is initially six, which is the sum of the twelve probabilities listed above for this board configuration.

Let's assume the board configuration is 1 3 2, and that it is ELMAC's move. ELMAC looks at the total move count in A(1,3,2,0) which is six (refer to line 560 of the program). ELMAC selects a random number between one and six, say four. Lines 620 through 660 determine what type of move that is.

Recall that the twelve elements of A(1,3,2,P) for P equal 1 through 12 are

1 0 0 - 1 1 1 0 - 1 1 0 0 0

ELMAC picked four, and the fourth value of one in the list is the third element in the second group, A(1,3,2,6). Consequently ELMAC removes three sticks from the second row. (If you are not totally confused, you are a genius!)

If ELMAC eventually wins this game, the value of A(1,3,2,6) will be incremented by one. Likewise A(1,3,2,0)

will be incremented. Now A(1,3,2,P) for P equal to 0 through 12 has values:

7 - 1 0 0 - 1 1 2 0 - 1 1 0 0 0

The next time that ELMAC makes a move from this board configuration, it will pick a random number from one to seven. It then steps through the twelve moves, tallying probabilities until it reaches a count of seven. It should be clear that if ELMAC selects a random value of four or five, it will make the same move it made last time. In other words, ELMAC is twice as likely to choose move A(1,3,2,6) as it is to choose any of the other possible moves. That is exactly how ELMAC learns through rewards.

To see how bad moves are punished, consider the board configuration 2 0 0, that is, only two sticks remain in the first row. If this is the first time ELMAC has seen this particular board, the move array A(2,0,0,P) for P equal to 0 through 12 appears as

2 - 1 1 0 - 0 0 0 0 - 0 0 0 0 0

ELMAC can remove either one or two sticks from the first row, and both moves are equally likely.

Obviously taking both sticks is the only intelligent move, but ELMAC isn't very bright yet. If ELMAC takes only

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one stick from the row, the other player removes the remaining stick, and ELMAC loses the game. In that case, such a foolish last move by ELMAC is punished by reducing its probability to zero. That means that A(2,0,0,1) is now set to zero.

The next time ELMAC sees the board 2 0 0, its only possible move is A(2,0,0,2). It takes both sticks from the first row. ELMAC wins the game and A(2,0,0,2) is incremented. With the program as it is currently written, only ELMAC's final move of a losing game is punished. Once a move's probability has been reduced to zero, that move is never made again.

The array M( ) is updated with every move ELMAC makes. Its structure is fairly straightforward. M(MN,1), M(MN,2), and M(MN,3) represent rows one, two, and three at the time of ELMAC's MNth move. M(MN,0) stores the type of move (from 1 to 12) that ELMAC made.

For example, assume the board had two sticks in the first and third rows and three sticks in the second row when ELMAC made its second move. M(2,1), M(2,2), and M(2,3) have values 2,3,2 respectively, representing the board configuration. If ELMAC removed two sticks from the third row, M(2,0) equals 9. (Recall that move values 1 to 3 correspond to taking 1 through 3 sticks from the first row, values 4 through 7 represent the removal of 1 through 4 sticks from the second row, and values 8 through 12 represent taking 1 through 5 sticks from the third row, respectively.)

At the end of each game, if ELMAC won, M( ) is used in lines 1150 through 1200 to reward each move. The last move made by ELMAC is always kept in the variable MV, and the last board configuration is stored in X0, Y0, and Z0 for rows one, two, and three in lines 710. Lines 1040 through 1060 punish ELMAC's last move if it lost.

## TODAY NIM, TOMORROW THE WORLD

After you have learned to play NIM, see if the way you learned is not somewhat analogous to the way ELMAC learns. Typically you will first remember and avoid moves near the end of the game which are fatal, just as ELMAC does.

There are many possibilities for your own exploration into this concept of learning machines. I suggest saving ELMAC's move arrays after various numbers of games. I saved the move array after one thousand and ten thousand games, calling them ELMAC.1K and ELMAC.10K respectively. It is interesting to study the move array (use the D command) to see how bad moves are eliminated and probabilities of good moves are enhanced.

The D command scrolls all elements of the move array. The first three numbers displayed in reverse video are the board configuration. The first number in the next line is the total count of move probabilities. The next twelve numbers are the individual move probabilities. One interesting characteristic to look for in the move array is the opening move A(3,4,5,-). A perfect algorithmic machine will remove two sticks from the first row

to guarantee a win. Consequently A(3,4,5,2) should eventually become the only allowable opening move for ELMAC to make. The resulting board configuration is 1 4 5.

You might investigate other methods of reward and punishment. Perhaps later moves in a winning game should be rewarded more (or less) than earlier moves. Perhaps more than just the last move should be punished.

It is possible to find a far more efficient data structure than I have used here. Martin Gardner mentioned that one of his readers built a NIM-playing machine from only 18 match boxes (for three rows of three objects each). That learning machine supposedly played an excellent game of NIM after only 30 games. ELMAC's move array represents 120 match boxes, and it plays a lousy game even after 300 rounds.

It would be handy to have a graphical display of ELMAC's winning record. When ELMAC plays the random computer, it is really a waste of time to show both players' moves. A graph of number of games versus number of wins would probably be more informative.

ELMAC's data structure should be readily adaptable to other games such as tic-tac-toe or four-by-four checkers. The Commodore 64 does not have enough memory to store the move array for tic-tac-toe as implemented in ELMAC. Some clever programming, and taking advantage of the symmetries and rotations of the board, should make a tic-tac-toe program possible.

If ELMAC has no valid moves for a particular board configuration, it resigns. After 15,000 games, it had no possible moves when faced with two sticks in each of two rows. Indeed, a perfect player would beat ELMAC under these conditions, but since ELMAC doesn't necessarily play against perfect players, perhaps an element of "oh what the heck" should be added to ELMAC. Let ELMAC make a valid random move even if the move array says there are no winning moves available.

The situation is similar to the old joke mentioned by Martin Gardner in which two chess-playing computers were face to face. After the one computer moved its first piece, the second computer furiously thought for a while, and then simply resigned. Eventually it seems that ELMAC would have just one valid opening move, and if its opponent made that move first, ELMAC would call it quits.

There are many interesting, intriguing, and entertaining aspects to this idea of machines that teach themselves. Hopefully ELMAC will encourage you to explore. I would enjoy hearing about what you discover. □

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**THE DIGITAL BLUE  
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**Flight Simulation  
on the C-64**

By Bill Kunkel and Arnie Katz

"Flying by the seat of your pants" is an old aviation expression. It refers to situations in which circumstances force a pilot to navigate by instinct alone, without the aid of instruments. Today, that phrase could just as easily refer to the armchair aviators who regularly patrol the electronic skies in front of their Commodore home computers.

Flight simulators have come into their own over the past two years. Such games satisfy the current taste for strategy, while they provide the type of real-time excitement which once made action games so popular. Users who drop in at the Commodore Aerodrome can earn their wings in anything from a Cessna to a Strike Eagle. There are helicopters, biplanes, and even a space shuttle waiting for gamers with the will to take the throttle.

**Early Flights**

Flight simulation programs have been available for the Commodore 64 from the very first. The pioneering titles which are still on the market show their age, but may interest some ardent aviators.

*IFR Flight Simulator* (Academy) puts the user inside a Cessna 172RG. Unfortunately, the design strikes a poor balance between instruments and scenery. The principle display is almost entirely filled by gauges, the artificial horizon, and similar navigational devices, while the pilot must squint through a window no larger than the airspeed indicator to see what's happening outside. *IFR Flight*



No, we didn't print it upside down—it's Sierra's Stunt Flyer.  
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*Simulator* replicates the physics of flight, but not the experience of sitting in the cockpit of a small plane.

*Solo Flight* (MicroProse) and *Flight Path 737* (Artworx), two other early entries, are fun despite limited graphics. Both are simple take-off-and-land simulations which emphasize actually flying an aircraft. Good

as far as they go, *Solo Flight* and *Flight Path 737* are primitive by current standards. However, the latter title comes on cassette, which makes it the only choice for Commodore owners who do not have disk drives.

If the boom in Commodore 64 flight simulators can be traced to one event, it's the publication of the C-64

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**A Guide to  
Individual Sports  
Games on the C-64**

By Bill Kunkel and Arnie Katz



Summer Games demands good timing.  
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Okay, sports fans, get out those wrist bands, clean up that old pair of track flats, and tie a rolled up bandana around your head. It's time for some one-on-one sports action. Whether played against another human video athlete or versus the computer, events like track and field, golf, and tennis offer some of the hottest competition in computer gaming.

The Olympics have become this best-known arena for individual athletics, thanks to satellite telecasts. Not surprisingly, the quadrennial event has inspired several computer programs.

*Decathlon* (Activision) was the first title which simulated track and field. It includes all of the 10 events which comprise the greatest challenge in the world of sport: 100m dash, long jump,



## THE DIGITAL BLUE YONDER

### Flight Simulation on the C-64

edition of *Flight Simulator II* (SubLOGIC). Bruce Artwick's design, based on a program developed for the IBM PC, created a sensation when it made its debut, and it's still a pretty fantastic disk. *Flight Simulator II* is one of the all-time best-selling entertainment programs, and dominated the Billboard list for more than a year.

*Flight Simulator II's* biggest attraction is its astonishing completeness. It features full on-screen instrumentation, a choice of day/dusk/night flying, variable weather conditions, realistic avionic systems and a flying range which spans the entire continent.

The simulation is based on the Piper 181 Cherokee Archer, a small single-engine plane with non-retractable landing gear. The scenery disk packaged with the program generates the proper out-the-window visuals for landings and take offs at any of 80 airports in the New York, Chicago, Seattle and Los Angeles areas. SubLOGIC promises more scenery disks for those who

*Flight Simulator II* features full on-screen instrumentation, variable weather conditions, realistic avionic systems, and choice of day, dusk, or night flying. **READER SERVICE NO. 145**

want to visit other places.

As a bonus, *Flight Simulator II* includes a "World War I Ace" mode. This variation streamlines the play-mechanic of the primary program and applies it to biplane flight, circa 1917. The changes reduce the accuracy of the simulation, but provide a lot more excitement. Skillful flying is still crucial, but a would-be ace must also demonstrate deadeye marksmanship against the enemy.

The scenery disk adds familiar landmarks such as the Statue of Liberty to the out-the-cockpit-window view. The accurately placed landmarks are attractively rendered, and the overall graphics are surprisingly good for a program which must assign so much memory to simulation elements.

*Flight Simulator II* does a fine job of recreating the dynamics of piloting on the home computer screen, but apart from the "World War I Ace" mini-game, it is essentially a purist's approach to the subject. Following it onto computer store shelves are several titles which immerse the com-

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### A Guide to Individual Sports Games

400m, shot put, 110m hurdles, 1500m, javelin, discus, pole vault and high jump.

The player manipulates the joystick to direct the onscreen decathlete. Most of the events require the gamer to jiggle the stick rapidly to make the character on the screen move faster. You'll really need those wristbands with this disk.

*Summer Games* (Epyx) demands pinpoint timing rather than manic joysticking. The user must execute a precisely timed sequence of stick movements to put the onscreen athlete through his paces.

*Summer Games* simulates swimming, diving, gymnastics, and skeet shooting, as well as a trio of track and field contests. The electronic Olympian can practice single events or run the gauntlet of all eight. The disk retains a record of high scores which the player can access through the program's main menu.

puterist in more intense scenarios than zipping through the friendly skies from New York's LaGuardia to Chicago's O'Hare.

The skies are considerably less friendly in *F-15 Strike Eagle* (MicroProse). This solitaire program places the user in the cockpit of a modern jet fighter which must complete missions right out of today's scariest newspaper headlines.

Although *F-15 Strike Eagle* makes extensive use of the keyboard as an input device, the joystick controls the most important functions. The computer pilot can climb, descend, bank, drop bombs, and fire the machine gun without touching a key.

*F-15 Strike Eagle* casts the gamer as a combat flyer. The missions send this lightning-fast aircraft to places like the Persian Gulf and Haiphong Harbor. Invariably, these strongholds are protected by hostile MIGs which are more than willing to engage in combat.

The visuals are decent, if unexceptional. Several types of ground installations are presented, which gives some visual variety to the bombing runs.

*F-15 Strike Eagle* is more concerned with stimulation than simu-



**Jet Combat Simulator: four modes.**  
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**Super Huey: ideal for two players.**  
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This solid simulation comes in very fancy dress. The graphics are outstanding, and the animated torch-lighting is one of the most impressive openings in entertainment software.

The success of *Summer Games* prompted Epyx to release a sequel, *Summer Games II*. It features an array of eight somewhat more exotic events, including the difficult triple jump, bicycling, kayaking, fencing, and even equestrian jumping.

Each event has its own theme music, and the graphics are, if anything, better than in the original. Judges' scorecards appear on the screen at the conclusion of each round of competition to rate the performance.

*Summer Games II* can be linked to its predecessor to create a mammoth 16-event program. Its newly created closing ceremony is the perfect ending.

Fans of Olympic simulations might like to augment the Epyx events with *S-Games* (Michael Crick, 2845 140th

*Summer Games II can be linked with its predecessor to form one 16-event program. II's events are more unusual ones, including kayaking, fencing, and the triple jump.*  
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Ave. NE, Bellevue, WA 98005). In addition to the more conventional events—100m sprint, 110m hurdles, and diving—*S-Games* includes a couple of truly unique competitions which are not available on any other title: archery and weightlifting.

A new publisher has updated and re-released this contest, originally known

as *HES-Games*. Crick led the original design team, 3-2-1 Software, which developed the program, and he has upgraded it intelligently and effectively.

While the track events use the joystick-jiggle play-mechanic, the approach to archery and pumping iron is more reminiscent of *Summer Games'* control system. In the archery

lation. Its exciting combat scenarios more than compensate for any technical imperfections.

Fans of this type of air action will also enjoy *Jet Combat Simulator* (Epyx), written by Digital Integration. This program, which utilizes joystick and keyboard input, focuses on realistically duplicating flight procedures and problems.

*Jet Combat Simulator*, like *F-15 Strike Eagle*, uses the McDonnell Douglas F-15 as its main aircraft. The disk includes four separate modes: landing practice, flight training, air-to-air combat practice and actual combat. The user can vary the difficulty by pre-program factors such as blind landings, crosswinds-turbulence and the skill level of the computer-directed enemy.

Several programs which nominally fit into this category stress action. *Mig Alley Ace* (MicroProse) and *Hellcat Ace* (MicroProse) are short on aeronautical verisimilitude, but are as exciting to play as any arcade game.

*Stunt Flyer* (Sierra) represents a third type of airplane simulation, the "air circus." This disk, a creation of the French design group Nice Ideas,

involves more than just preventing the craft from digging a hole in the runway. The accent is on performing fancy aerobatics.

*Stunt Flyer* puts the pilot inside the most maneuverable of all stunt planes, the Pitts Special. Although the game is quite detailed, it eschews factors like "torque," which would do little more than complicate the already demanding test. The aerodynamics of trick flying are the main event.

*Stunt Flyer* has three separate programs: airshow, training, and competition. The airshow provides an external view of a computer-guided plane which performs any of 20 stunts on command. Training allows the user to fly freestyle or attempt a specific stunt, then view an external-perspective replay. A digital wing-walker who feels comfortable enough at the controls can try the competition. Any high-flying Commodore owner who completes the compulsory sequence is eligible to enter Sierra's nationwide competition.

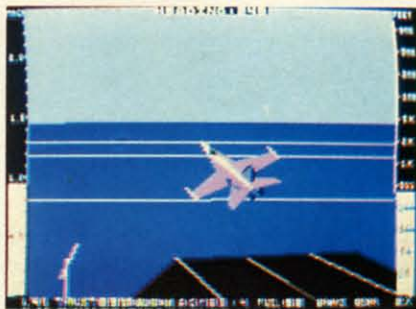
### Other Flights

The airplane has always been the favorite subject for flight simulations,

but some designers have gone in other directions. After all, there are other types of flying machines.

Paul Norman's *Super Huey* (Cosmi), for example, attempts to reproduce the experience of piloting a UH-1X, an ultra-modern surveillance and reconnaissance helicopter. The program concentrates heavily on piloting the chopper, although combat is a tangential element.

*Super Huey* is ideal for cooperative play. Helicopters are much more difficult to fly than airplanes, so there's plenty to do. The command control system uses both the joystick and the keyboard, which facilitates division between pilot and co-pilot.



*Jet is just up the stream.*  
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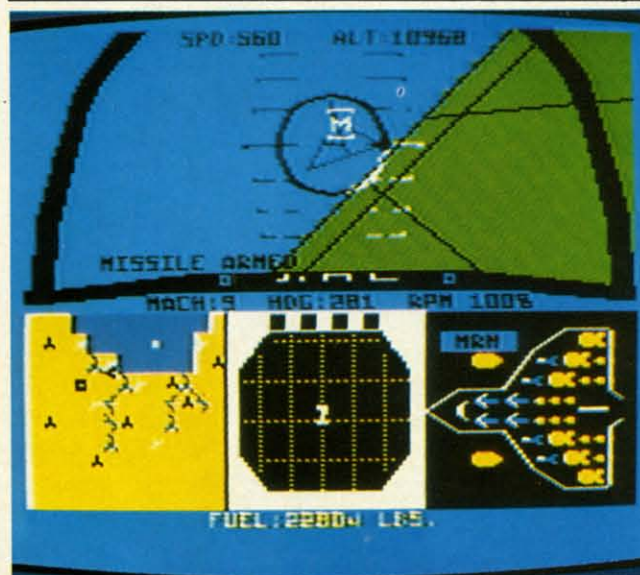


**Winter Games offers skiing, skating, and bobsledding events, including the unusual biathlon, which combines cross-country skiing with marksmanship.**  
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 competition, the video Robin Hood must consider wind speed and direction in addition while aiming for the

bullseye. Weightlifting is broken down into two-hand snatch and clean and jerk. The player lifts more poundage by maintaining smooth timing and good rhythm.



**F-15 Strike Eagle is more concerned with stimulation than simulation, sending players on dangerous combat missions to MIG-defended enemy strongholds.**  
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## THE DIGITAL BLUE YONDER

**Flight Simulation on the C-64**

The graphics in *Super Huey* are blocky, which makes the surveillance scenarios seem pointless. Watching isn't much fun when there's nothing worth looking at.

When you get tired of flying around this world, there's always outer space. Steve Kitchen's *Space Shuttle* (Activision), although somewhat dated, still has a lot to offer. Players manipulate three axis controls to take the shuttle into orbit, dock with a satellite, re-enter Earth atmosphere and land her on the appropriate runway.

The most eagerly awaited flight

simulator on the artificial horizon is the follow-up to *Flight Simulator, Jet* (SubLOGIC), from the Bruce Artwick crew. *Jet* promises to be as revolutionary as its predecessor. The already published IBM edition includes take-offs from an air strip or a carrier, choice of weapons, and a selection of dogfights and strike missions in either an F-16 Fighting Falcon or F-18 Hornet.

The introduction of the Commodore 128 could be the prelude of a new generation of more exact flight simulators. And considering the steady improvement in the category so far, one might say the sky's the limit. □

*S-Games* allows participants to save great performances to a preformatted disk for subsequent replay. The animation and graphics are good, if not quite state-of-the-art.

The most recent, and most visually spectacular, Olympic software product is *Winter Games* (Epyx). Players can now revel in simulations of skiing, skating, and bobsledding, enhanced with the best sound and graphics in the series so far. Action Graphics had a couple of tough acts to follow, but the design team earned straight A's for its work on this one.

*Winter Games* begins with a real flash event, the hot dog aerial. As an onscreen skier takes off into the wild blue yonder, the gamer executes a series of dazzling flips, kicks, and dives. The biathlon, one of the most unusual events, combines cross-country skiing with marksmanship. In speed skating, the user determines the stride of the onscreen athlete, who is paced by a computer-controlled rival. The ski jump simulation presents two views of the action. The main display offers a long-range view, while a special window shows a close-up.

The most astonishing events are figure skating and the bobsled. The musical accompaniment, a perfect scene-setter for the onscreen Peggy Fleming, gives the Commodore sound chip a brisk workout. Among the movements possible in the skating competition are: camel spins, sit spins, double axels, triple axels, double lutzes, triple lutzes, and camels-into-sit spins.

The bobsled race employs a split display to give an overview of the action as well as a quasi-first person perspective of the run. (The bobsled appears in the foreground as a guiding device.) The sense of "being there" is intense as the sled whooshes around turns and beneath the overpasses to the cheers of the spectators.

*Winter Games* has an opening ceremony, but no similarly ornate close. That's a sure sign that Epyx will eventually delight computer sports fans with a *Winter Games II*.

## Go for the Green

Golf is a sport which has always

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adapted well to computer. Each "play" is a distinct event, and the physics of the flight of the ball are easy to express as mathematical formulas.

Computer "hackers" will quickly get into the swing of *Professional Tour Golf* (Strategic Simulations), which incorporates elements of both strategy and stat replay. After selecting a bagful of clubs, the user guides such links legends as Slammin' Sammy Snead and Jack Nicklaus around either of two courses, complete with sand traps, trees, and water hazards.

A special option allows the computerist to generate a simulation of any famous golfer or even fashion a model based on your own golfing prowess. Strategic Simulations promises supplemental disks containing new courses and golfers.

*On-Court Tennis* (Gamestar) applies a similar form of artificial intelligence to net sports. Each gamer controls an electronic racqueteer who plays with a distinctive style. Some hug the baseline, others charge the net at every opportunity, and still others reply on a cannonball serve to score points.

The program automatically moves the electronic athletes around the court based on the styled selected prior to the opening serve. A joystick-activated control system lets the computerist call each shot, once the on-screen surrogate gets into the proper position. This makes *On-Court Tennis* more a test of strategy than hand-eye coordination. Proper timing is important, but it's definitely subordinate to selecting the right stroke for each situation.

Space limitations have forced this survey to neglect two major categories: auto racing and martial arts. Rest assured, both will receive their justice in upcoming issues of *Ahoy!* Meanwhile, these "personal best" programs should keep solitaire and head-to-head gamers at their computers for many enjoyable hours of individual competition. □

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*Law of the West* is played as a series of encounters, each of which involves a meeting on the street between the sheriff, controlled with the joystick by the gamer, and a computer-directed character.

An encounter consists of two types

of activity: role-playing and action. Each scene begins with the hero, a large figure in the foreground of the display, looking up the street at a beautifully drawn western scene. The view changes for each round of play, and may include a bank, the stage depot, a saloon, or the train station.

A computer-controlled character enters the scene to the strains of original theme music and, in most cases, saunters up to the sheriff. A line of text highlighted in red appears below the picture. This is the opening line of the conversation. The would-be law officer selects the desired response from an onscreen menu of four possibilities.

What happens next depends on the tone of the conversation. A hostile response may lead to more heated exchanges which culminate in a showdown. On the other hand, a good sheriff can talk seemingly violence-bent gunslingers into better behavior by clever choice of comments. A non-player character can become



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your buddy or your dueling partner, depending on how he or she is handled. And a newly met friend may warn you about the robbery which invariably becomes the next episode. Warnings frequently make the difference between dropping the bad guy and taking a slug yourself.

A sheriff who takes care of a situation without artillery scores points and receives additional credit on the evaluation screen at the end of the game. This recap indicates how well the gamer has performed during the day as a symbol of justice. Categories considered are: maintenance of authority, crooks captured, romantic exploits, bad guys sent to boot hill, recoveries from bullet wounds, innocent people killed, and the number of crimes committed.

Sometimes, talking isn't enough. Pushing the joystick forward draws the gun and engages the aiming cursor. The hero must try to keep order in Gold Gulch without blasting innocent civilians, and an itchy trigger finger gets static from townspeople and a low rating.

Alan Miller, who made quite a reputation as a videogame designer for Activision, returns to computer software for the first time since he created *Basketball* for Atari in 1979. Though he's lost none of his flair for innovation, this program's limitations suggest that Miller is still adjusting to this latest turn in his career. Despite the outstanding artwork, perhaps the best found in any Commodore 64 game, *Law of the West* lacks the depth of a good adventure. Most experienced computerists will exhaust its play-value within just a few games.

The frills are very impressive, but they don't make *Law of the West* more challenging. Some of the memory devoted to the undeniably superb audiovisual effects might have been spent more profitably on enlarging the scope of the menu-driven interaction. It's an inspired concept, but this program barely explores the possibilities.

It's a shame to knock a game with as many positive features as *Law of the West*, but its defects make it impossible to recommend wholeheartedly. Alan Miller took a good shot, but he's

missed the bullseye on this one.

Accolade Software, 20863 Stevens Creek Blvd., #E, Cupertino, CA 95014 (phone: 408-446-5757).

—Arnie Katz

## **ON TRACK MODEL CAR RACING**

**Gamestar**

**Commodore 64**

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Pure competition is the focal point of this hard-driving contest for one or two armchair Andrettis. As the title indicates, this is *model* car racing, not a replica of the 24 hours of Le Mans. So despite the use of famous courses, *On Track* conjures up more images of radio-controlled vehicles buzzing around a parking lot than of heavy tires squealing down the Indy brickyard.

As in many Gamestar products, a series of option screens which define the game precede actual play. After selecting one or two players, the contestants pick between manual and automatic shifting. Manual, which is recommended only for the experienced, requires drivers to change between high and low gears to coax maximum performance out of their automobiles.

Next, each player picks one of three car/driver tandems. Artificial intelligence makes Mario Sandduni a speed demon and gives A.J. Cactus' machine the best handling characteristics. A chart in the instruction folder makes it simple to understand the differences.

The following screen lets the gamer choose from among 10 tracks. These range from Road America, with its hairpin turns, to the lengthy straightaways of Fuji International. Each course can be either paved or dirt, with the latter producing more unpredictable handling.

The final screen establishes the speed ("pro" or "amateur") and the victory conditions. Drivers can compete for time in five- or 10-lap contests or they can try to go the furthest in 12 or 24 hours.

Each course occupies one display screen with no scrolling. Both cars are always in sight, which eliminates the need to stop and reset the cars when one builds too big a lead. On the other

hand, the visuals are pretty tame compared to some other racing simulations. The accent here is definitely on head-to-head rivalry, not scenery.

A computerist steers the car with the joystick. Pushing the joystick to the left causes the car to execute a similar turn, while moving the handle to the right produces the exact opposite effect. Steering is done from the perspective of a driver riding in the onscreen vehicle, but this becomes second nature after a few laps.

A race car accelerates automatically, but the driver must press the action button to apply the brake. Maneuverability improves markedly when a car really gets rolling; however, no one can negotiate some of the crazy turns on these tracks without using the brake at least occasionally.

*On-Track Computer Model Car Racing* is no easier to master than other Gamestar titles, which means computerists won't wear it out in a hurry. Newcomers may at first feel like they're steering a bug on a block of ice, but liberal use of the "practice" mode proves that keeping all four wheels on the road consistently is possible.

Is *On Track* too simple? Yes and no. It is certainly not going to excite those who want a detailed simulation or flashy graphics. Yet it does offer a chance for continuous, head-to-head racing, and that's a rare and noteworthy feature.

Gamestar, Inc., 1302 State St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (phone: 805-963-3487). —Steve Davidson

## **THE FOURTH PROTOCOL**

**Bantam Software**

**Commodore 64**

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Frederick Forsyth's best seller of the same name inspired this spy thriller for computerists. Thanks to its innovative play-mechanic and twisting, three-episode plotline, the adventure has the same urgency and excitement as the book. Gamers are swiftly drawn into a tale of international intrigue, espionage, and nuclear threat, as they become John Preston, British Intelligence Officer.

The Nuclear Non-Proliferation

Treaty signed by Britain, the U.S., and the Soviet Union in 1968 forbade these countries' dissemination of nuclear weapons technology to other nations. The Treaty contained four secret protocols. The fourth protocol forbids the signatories from ever smuggling nuclear weapons into another country for covert detonation.

Russian Central Committee intelligence officers have hatched up a scheme to weaken NATO by destabilizing the Western Alliance. To do this, they plan a nuclear disaster in England, to be blamed on the American military presence in the U.K. They figure this will result in England's withdrawal from NATO and, subsequently, perhaps even a Soviet takeover of Western Europe. The computerist, as John Preston, counter-intelligence agent, stumbles upon this plot and must track down the saboteurs before they fire the nuclear device.

The game is divided into three separate episodes. In the first, Preston must learn who stole the NATO documents, why, and to whom they leaked the information. Time passes quickly as Preston checks reports, hunts through the files, assigns watchers to suspects, and performs his routine duties.

If Preston digs up the mole in British intelligence, he advances to the second part. In this phase, Preston has to locate the bomb which the Soviets have already smuggled into England. The

short, final section features a free-for-all battle between Special Air Service troops and KGB agents, as Preston tries to disarm the bomb.

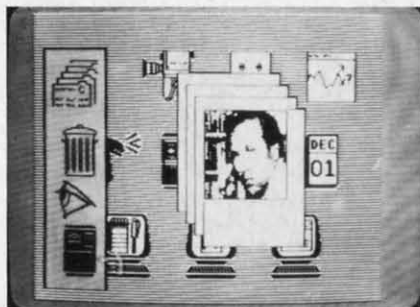
The first two game sections are icon-driven. Instead of typing orders, as in parser-driven adventures, the computerist activates the appropriate picture on the screen with the pointer. Game one, *The Nato Documents*, puts Preston at the well-equipped desk of his office. Using the keyboard to move the cursor around a ring of icons, the super-agent reads memos and reports, uses the telephone, contacts headquarters, and orders surveillance of suspicious characters.

A somewhat different, more action-oriented set of icons is utilized in part two, *The Bomb*. They allow Preston to pick up, use, or drop objects, examine items, and listen to informants. The onscreen compass allows Preston to move through the city to gather the facts he needs. Most of the travel around London is via the Underground, and some adventure gamers will feel that the designers of *The Fourth Protocol* have lavished entirely too much detail on the intricacies of rapid transit. A wise agent will hunt up the address of the places which he needs to visit and get to them by cab whenever possible.

The SAS Assault, the final section, is more of an extended climax than a full-blown episode. It is based on a small parser which lets the gamer enter brief commands in an effort to defuse the bomb and its associated safeguards before the device explodes. This segment is much like traditional illustrated adventures with a full-screen drawing of the room in which the bomb is actually hidden.

The finale is fun, but it's the icon-driven sections which make *The Fourth Protocol* a unique game. Putting the options right at Preston's fingertips ends the principle frustration of parser-oriented adventures: expressing what you want to do in words the machine understands. This is a fast-paced adventure, not a head-scratching word-hunt.

*The Fourth Protocol* is not especially difficult and is mercifully free of the convoluted logic puzzles which



**The Fourth Protocol's fast-paced first two sections are icon-driven.**

characterize more primitive adventure programs. The emphasis is on the experience of becoming a secret agent on a life-or-death mission, and few titles use role-playing more effectively. The player must become John Preston, at least for the space of a few enjoyable hours, to thwart the plot and preserve world security. The well-prepared documentation, which thankfully includes an extensive glossary, acclimates the player to the setting and provides a few helpful clues.

*The Fourth Protocol* is more than an innovative design, it is a thoroughly enjoyable piece of adventure software.

Bantam Electronics, 666 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10103 (phone: 212-765-6500). —Joyce Worley

**LODE RUNNER'S RESCUE**

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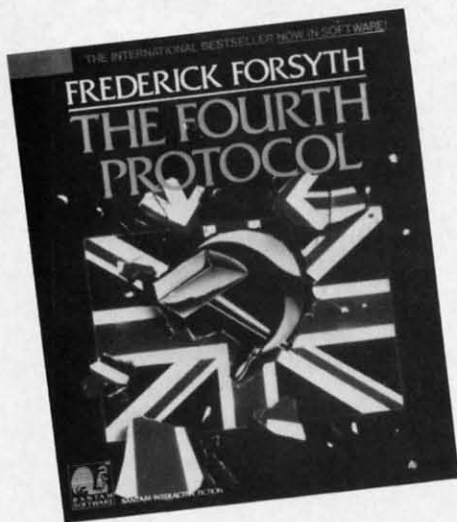
Commodore 64

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It isn't always easy to be a devoted daughter. This is especially true if your dad is that legendary leaping secret agent known as the Lode Runner.

The hero of Doug Smith's award-winning *Lode Runner* (Broderbund) and *Championship Lode Runner* (Broderbund) is sitting in a Bungeling Empire jail. His daughter, the equally high-flying Alexandra, must jump, run, and dodge through 46 three-dimensional mazes to reach the cell containing Lode Runner and liberate him. As in the earlier episodes of this series, guards patrol the labyrinths. Their touch costs one of the four precious lives with which Alexandra starts her quest.

Female computer gamers have complained, and rightly, that there's a shortage of heroines in entertainment software. Alexandra is an im-



**A twisting, three-episode plotline.  
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**SOFTWARE SECTION**

portant step toward closing the gender gap. Apart from a slight fear of heights, which prevents her from jumping more than two levels down under normal conditions, Alexandra is every bit as much a daredevil as her famous father. And she's got at least one trick up her sleeve which even her old man would envy.

The rules folder suggests that the player turn the joystick diagonally (clockwise) so stick directions correspond better to Alexandra's on-screen movements. She can walk on level ground, climb up one step, or jump down two without expiring. (The dauntless daughter can fall greater distances safely if she lands on an elevator, exit, or water square.)

Alexandra hops over the adjacent square when the gamer presses the action button while pointing the stick in the appropriate direction. She can leap over any space which is two steps high or less. Taller barriers cause the lady rescuer to bounce back to the square from which she began her leap.

Lode Runner's pit-digging ability caused command control problems in the Commodore editions of the first two titles in the series. It proved hard to implement the hero's ability to dig a trap for the guards either in front or behind with a conventional one-button joystick.

*Lode Runner's Rescue* won't make Commodore owners feel like second-class citizens. Designer Joshua Scholar has dropped this feature and, instead, endowed Alexandra with the ability to temporarily change size by eating one of the mushrooms scattered around the playfields.

A snack turns Alexandra into a giantess who can leap across two squares or fall three height levels without danger. A timer made of mushrooms in the upper right hand corner monitors the nine-second "tall" period. When the heroine shrinks to normal size, a tone sounds to alert the gamer.

Lode Runner always scrounged for gold, but his daughter collects the keys which are scattered around each maze. To advance to the next screen, Alexandra must scoop up all the keys

and reach the exit square before the bonus clock runs down to zero. Picking up a key adds 50 points to the score and a like amount to the bonus. When the computerist completes a round, the game adds all points remaining on the bonus counter to the total score.

The three-dimensional perspective gives the format pioneered in *Lode Runner* a new lease on life. Few entertainment programs boast a prettier batch of playfields. And in most cases, they're as challenging as they are good-looking.

In the long run, the best thing about *Lode Runner's Rescue* is the screen editor mode. As in the original *Lode Runner*, the user can create customized playfields when the regulation ones have been conquered. The process is a little more difficult, since would-be designers must visualize in three dimensions, but no special knowledge of programming is required.

It might be reaching to say that *Lode Runner's Rescue* surpasses the first *Lode Runner*, which is still a classic. Yet it is definitely a worthy successor and an entertaining gaming experience in its own right.

Synapse, 17 Paul Drive, San Rafael, CA 94903-2101 (phone: 415-479-1170).  
—Arnie Katz

**DECISION IN THE DESERT**

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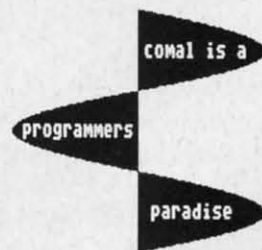
The North African campaign of World War II has fascinated military historians and wargamers alike for more than 40 years. The sweeping movement of small armies over vast stretches of territory, punctuated by intense periods of fighting, makes this theater stand out in a war characterized by a heavy concentration of forces clashing over restricted terrain.

The "accelerated real-time" play-routine is well-suited to the subject. *Decision in the Desert* does not proceed in alternating turns like most computer wargames. Commanders in this one- or two-player simulation issue a steady stream of orders, which units execute as game time passes. Speed is not essential, since a divi-

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- 3) Type RUN (starts COMAL)
- 4) Type AUTO (turn on auto line#'s)
- 5) Enter the program lines shown below (COMAL indents lines for you)
- 6) Hit RETURN key twice when done
- 7) Type RUN

```
0010 setup
0020 curve
0030 paint'it
0040 add'words
0050 //
0060 proc setup
0070 black:=0; yellow:=7
0080 background black
0090 pencolor yellow
0100 setgraphic 0 //hi res screen
0110 hideturtle
0120 endproc setup
0130 //
0140 proc curve
0150 moveto 110,0
0160 drawto 110,199
0170 for row:=0 to 10 step .03 do
0180 drawto 110+99*sin(row),row*20
0190 endfor row
0200 endproc curve
0210 //
0220 proc paint'it
0230 fill 120,20
0240 fill 100,90
0250 fill 120,180
0260 fill 100,198
0270 endproc paint'it
0280 //
0290 proc add'words
0300 pencolor black
0310 background yellow
0320 plottext 120,155,"comal is a"
0330 plottext 16,90,"programmers"
0340 plottext 120,30,"paradise"
0350 endproc add'words
```



Notice how easy graphics are in COMAL. Lines 70-100 set up the screen colors. Lines 150-190 draw on the screen. Lines 230-260 fill (paint) whole parts. Even putting text on the graphic screen is easy. See lines 320-340. All this is standard and built in as part of COMAL. Plus a full turtle graphics system. Now you know why there are 100,000 users.

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sion can do only so much during each four-hour period, but the time pressure certainly builds excitement. Pressing the "F" key circumvents this feature by pausing the game. This is necessary if there are two human generals, but solitaire players should probably go easy on the "strategy breaks."

*Decision in the Desert* contains five basic scenarios. Included are Sidi Barrani (the early British victories against Italy), Operation Crusader (the Axis siege of Tobruk), Gazala (Rommel's victory at Tobruk), First Battle of Alamein (Rommel's campaign after Tobruk), and Alam Halfa (Montgomery's defense of the Nile)

Most of the scenarios have "what if?" variants which allow computerists to study these battles from new perspectives. Operation Crusader, for example, has an option which lets the German general assault Tobruk before the British arrive. Another intriguing variant gives military buffs a chance to see if Rommel could have beaten Field Marshal Montgomery had he received more supplies to back his bold stroke.

Solitaire gamers will appreciate the excellent digital general incorporated into *Decision in the Desert*. It plays a strong game for either side and can be adjusted to give novices and veterans alike a competitive tussle.

Limited intelligence is available as an option in both solitaire and head-to-head games. A commander can only see enemy units which are within line-of-sight of his or her own troops. It introduces a realistic degree of suspense and uncertainty and helps give this program the feel of the actual campaign.

Although authors Sid Meier and Ed Bever have included the kind of sound and graphics which greatly enhance the appeal of *Decision in the Desert* to those who don't ordinarily gravitate toward wargaming, this is a very detailed simulation. The basic strength of each unit varies during the course of play, depending on the weather, defensive terrain, the experience of the soldiers in the unit, the formation, and the current effectiveness rating.

Although the documentation is a hefty 56 pages, *Decision in the Des-*

*ert* is not hard to learn. Playing well takes practice, but an experienced computerist can skim the first two sections of the instructions and immediately start the conquest of North Africa. The rulebook is packed with examples of play and the kind of historical commentary which breathes life into a screenful of unit symbols.

If anything, *Decision in the Desert* is even better than the first title in this series, *Crusade in Europe*. Military simulation fans can only chortle in anticipation of what the Meier-Never team will create next.

MicroProse, 120 Lakefront Dr., Hunt Valley, MD 21030 (phone: 301-667-1151).  
—Arnie Katz

## DAVE WINFIELD'S BATTER UP!

Avant-Garde

Commodore 64

Disk; \$34.95

Warning: *Batter Up!* is not a baseball simulation, but rather a high quality tutorial on the subject of hitting a ball with a Louisville slugger. The teacher is, to say the least, highly qualified—New York Yankee superstar Dave Winfield.

Hitting a small round ball thrown at great velocity with the curving surface of a bat is universally acknowledged as the most difficult accomplishment in sports. *Batter Up!* divides this challenging feat into grip, stance, pitch, and swing. Drawings and animations minutely analyze the phase under discussion, and provide the pupil of hitting with many possible options.

To facilitate study of fastballs and changeups, the program shows the delivery from the batter's standpoint. Other pitches, the slider for example, are viewed from both overhead and side perspectives to allow the user to see how the ball breaks and drops at the same time.

The flexibility of this tutorial is impressive. The user picks the type of pitch, the delivery (overhand, submarine, etc.), the stance, and other factors by responding to a series of menu prompts.

An animation, which the user can run at regular speed or frame by frame, provides an overhead view of

the swing. Simple illustrations focus on the proper way to grip the bat, while footprints indicate where the batter should plant his feet in the box.

After mastering the basics of the batsman's art, the student can try out newly acquired skills in two hitting simulations. In "Batting Practice," players may bat from either side of the plate, against a pitcher of their choosing. The action is in slow motion to give the user the chance to dissect each swing.

"Slugfest" pits the user against any one of a dozen pitchers, throwing real-time stuff. Options available in this version include updateable statistics and a choice of stadiums. The difference among the various fields seem minor, and the various parks have a negligible impact on the batter-pitcher confrontation.

"Batting Practice" and "Slugfest" depict the batter as seen from the on-deck circle. When the ball is hit, a window appears in the upper left corner of the screen with an overview of the field. The program tracks the path of the ball, and the result is displayed.

The obvious question is whether apprentice Winfields will really stand, bat in hand, in front of their Commodore computers and follow the master's teachings. Those who are willing to try such a radical method of instruction will probably derive some benefit from *Batter Up!* For safety's sake, however, it might be better for the computerist to use a whiffle bat rather than a major league stick...

Avant-Garde, 37B Commercial Blvd., Novato, CA 94947 (phone: 415-883-8083).  
—Bill Kunkel

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# TURNKEY 64: AN AUTO-EXEC CARTRIDGE FOR THE C-64

By Don Lewis

**D**ue to its outstanding price/performance ratio the C-64 is finding its way into school and industrial laboratories as a dedicated computer system. As an example, Brachman Associates recently used a C-64 as a controller for an industrial process. The complete system consisted of a 64, a 1541 disk drive, printer, color monitor, and some custom circuitry. Most of the application program was written in BASIC and then compiled. The application called for the computer to begin executing the program immediately upon power up, without the presence on an operator to load the program from disk. A setup such as this is called a turnkey system.

The advantages of a turnkey system is that little or no operator intervention is required to get the program running. This means that anyone, with almost no instruction, can use the computer to control the process. With proper design, an inexpensive timer can be used to power up the system and automatically begin running the application program without any human intervention!

Many computer systems have a turnkey feature built into the operating system. Typically, a specific file name is reserved by the operating system for this purpose. When the computer is powered up, the operating system checks for the presence of this reserved file on the disk. If it is found, the file is loaded and executed. On the Apple, the reserved file is the HELLO file. On the IBM it is the AUTOEXEC.BAT file. Unfortunately, the C-64 does not have a turnkey feature similar to the Apple or IBM. However, such a feature can be easily added by placing the turnkey code in a ROM cartridge.

This article presents the code necessary to implement an AUTO-EXEC cartridge for the 64. Once the cartridge is installed on the 64, on power up or reset, the computer will load and begin executing the first file on the disk. Bulletin board systems, home security systems, and C-64-based science projects could all benefit from the addition of an AUTO-EXEC cartridge.

I originally developed this technique in 1983 for R.J. Brachman Associates, Inc., and I wish to thank them for permission to share it with *Ahoy!*'s readers.



*Turnkey 64 uses readily available ROM cartridge with control flip-flop added.*

## SOME CARTRIDGE FUNDAMENTALS

Information on the C-64 memory configurations can be found on pages 260-267 of the *Programmer's Reference Guide*. A discussion of ROMs and a review of EPROM programmers for the C-64 can be found in the July 1985 *Ahoy!* The C-64 supports 8 different memory configurations, of which 4 are for cartridge ROM. The status of the EXROM and GAME lines (pins 8 and 9) of the expansion port determines the particular memory configuration the C-64 assumes on power up. When EXROM is tied low (to ground) the C-64 deselects the RAM at \$8000-\$9FFF

and replaces it with the external ROM. This configuration was chosen for the AUTO-EXEC cartridge.

On power up or reset, the C-64 executes several housekeeping routines built into the Kernal ROM. One of these routines checks for the presence of a unique sequence of bytes at location \$8000-\$8008. If this unique sequence is present, the C-64 stops its normal reset routines and program control is transferred to the cartridge. Commodore calls this the "auto-start" feature.

### Table of Autostart Recognition Code

Location	Definition
\$8000, \$8001	Low, High Byte of Cold Start Vector
\$8002, \$8003	Low, High Byte of Warm Start Vector
\$8004-\$8006	The ASCII sequence 'CBM', with bit 7=1
\$8007-\$8008	The ASCII sequence '80'

## THE AUTO-EXEC CARTRIDGE

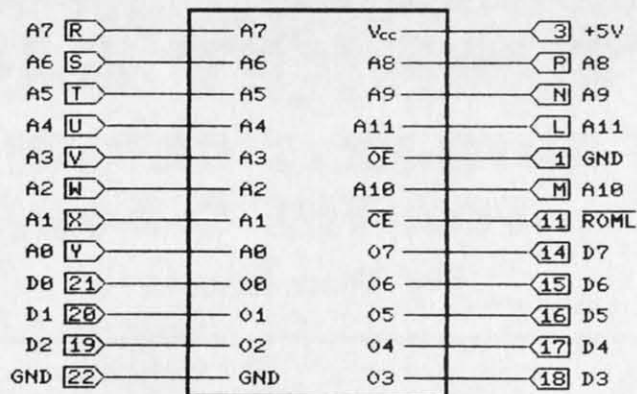
The AUTO-EXEC cartridge was designed to load and execute the first file on the disk. The necessary code is reproduced here, and provided in a *Flankspeed* listing on page 98. The comments explain how the code works. I built in several safeguards and a backdoor. If, while powering up the C-64, the CBM logo key is held down, the AUTO-EXEC is aborted and control returns to the normal C-64 reset procedures. Any disk errors, such as device not present or an error reading the file, also aborts the AUTO-EXEC. A more sophisticated AUTO-EXEC cartridge might write an error message to the screen and sound an alarm. The border, background, and character colors can all be changed according to individual taste.

The AUTO-EXEC cartridge assumes that the program it loads is a BASIC program or a machine language program started with a BASIC SYS call. The standard load address for such a file is at \$0801.

This code can be burned into a 2732 EPROM with an EPROM burn-

er such as the Promenade. A schematic and instructions for building a burner yourself can be found in *Easy Interfacing Projects for the C-64* by Jim Downey, Don Rindsberg, and William Isherwood (Prentice-Hall). Figure 1 shows the necessary connections for interfacing a 2732 EPROM to the expansion bus. In order to map the cartridge ROM into the C-64 memory space, EXROM (pin 9 on the expansion connector) must be tied low (ground). A disadvantage of tying EXROM permanently low is that we give up 8K of RAM space which would otherwise be available to BASIC. With the addition of some extra circuitry the 8K of RAM can be recovered. With a little additional electronic wizardry we can effectively add 8K of ROM memory to the C-64.

Figures 2 and 3 show the method. By adding a 74LS74 D-type flip-flop as a one bit memory cell we can under software control enable the circuit in Figure 2 first. The operating rule for a D-type flip-flop is that the logic level at D is transferred to Q, whenever there is a high (+5 volts) to low (0 volts) transition on the CLK input. The PRE and CLR inputs



**FIGURE 1:**  
2732 EPROM pin out. Pin designations for the C-64 expansion connector are in blocks. In addition, EXROM (pin 9) must either be tied low (ground), or wired as shown in Figure 2 or 3. See page 396, Programmer's Reference Guide.

override any previous condition. If a low is applied to CLR, the output of Q is immediately set low. A low on PRE sets Q high. When the C-64 RESET line is brought low during power up, Q is set low. This forces EXROM low and maps the external ROM into the C-64 memory space.

The I/O1 line (pin 7) is a signal generated by the C-64 which is brought low whenever an address in the range \$DE00-\$DEFF is placed on the address bus. Commodore uses this line for their CP/M cartridge. In the AUTO-EXEC cartridge, it is used

to switch the cartridge on and off. An instruction such as STA \$DE00 (POKE 56832) will cause I/O1 to go low. When I/O1 is brought low, the high signal at D is transferred to Q and the ROM is disabled. In this circuit, once the ROM is disabled it cannot be reenabled.

The circuit in Figure 3 shows a more flexible arrangement to wire the D flip-flop as a switch for the ROM. Instead of tying D permanently high (+5 volts), we connect D to the inverse of Q (Q-read "not Q"). The first STA \$DE00 would turn the cartridge

## SOURCE CODE LISTING

```
;AUTO-EXEC CARTRIDGE
;V1005/85 (RV 0606/85, 0831/83)
;CHANGE TO IO1 FOR ROM DISABLE

;COPYRIGHT 1983 BY
;R. J. BRACHMAN ASSOCIATES INC.
;P.O. BOX 1077, HAVERTOWN, PA. 19083
;PUT "0:AUTO-EXEC.A1005"

;64 KERNAL ROUTINES
IOINIT = $FF84 ;INIT IO
RAMTAS = $FF87 ;TEST RAM
RESTOR = $FF8A ;SET I/O VECTORS
CINIT = $FF81 ;INIT SCREEN EDITOR
SETLFS = $FFBA ;SET LOGICAL FILE
SETNAM = $FFBD ;SET FILE NAME
LOAD = $FFD5 ;LOAD RAM
CLALL = $FFE7 ;CLOSE ALL FILES
SETMSG = $FF90 ;SET KERNAL MESSAGE
OUTCHR = $E719 ;OUTPUT CHAR TO SCREEN
LISTEN = $FFB1 ;COMMAND DISK TO LISTEN
SECOND = $FF93 ;SEND SA TO DISK
CIOUT = $FFA8 ;CHAR TO DISK
UNLSN = $FFAE ;COMMAND DISK TO UNLISTEN

;BASIC ROUTINES
BASICI = $E3BF ;INIT BASIC
BASVEC = $E453 ;SET BASIC VECTORS
CLEAR = $A659 ;BASIC CLR COMMAND
CHAIN = $A533 ;LINK BASIC LINES
DECTXT = $A533 ;BACKUP TEXT POINTER
RUN = $A7AE ;GO TO IT!

;VARIABLES
TXTTAB = $2B ;START OF BASIC
VARTAB = $2D ;START OF VARIABLES
```

```
EAL = $AE ;LOAD END ADDRESS
STATUS = $90 ;I/O STATUS
MEMSZ1 = $37 ;HIGHEST ADDRESS FOR BASIC
MEMSZ2 = $0283 ;TOP OF MEMORY FOR O.S.
COLOR = $0286 ;CURRENT CHAR COLOR
TBUFFR = $033C ;TAPE BUFFER
ISTOP = $0328 ;STOP ROUTINE VECTOR

;64 I/O
VICCTR = $D016 ;VIC CONTROL REGISTER
BORDER = $D020 ;BORDER COLOR
KBPROB = $DC00 ;PROBE THE KEYBOARD
KBSENS = $DC01 ;SENSE THE KEYBOARD
IO1 = $DE00 ;EXTERNAL I/O SELECT

;CIA #1 TIMER REGISTERS
CIATA = $DD04 ;TIMER A
CIAICR = $DD0D ;IRQ CONTROL REGISTER
CIACRA = $DD0E ;CONTROL REGISTER A

*=$8000
.WORD COLD

;SET NMI(RESTORE KEY)
;FOR REGULAR ENTRY POINT
.WORD $FE5E

;THE AUTO-START SEQUENCE
.BYTE $C3,$C2,$CD,'80' ;CBM80

;X=0 ON ENTRY
COLD STX VICCTR
JSR IOINIT
JSR RAMTAS
JSR RESTOR
JSR CINIT
```

```
;SET BORDER, BACKGROUND & TEXT COLOR
LDA #12
STA BORDER
LDA #0
STA BORDER+1
LDA #14
STA COLOR

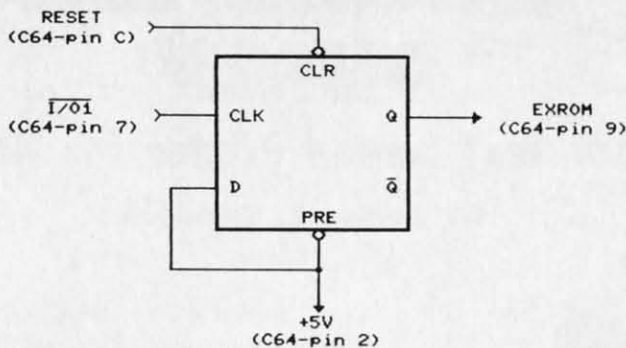
;CHECK KEYBOARD FOR CBM KEY
LDA #$7F
STA KBPROB
LDA KBSENS
CMP #$DF
BNE COLD1 ;NOT CBM

;CBM KEY, ABORT AUTO-EXEC
BASIC LDX #32
BASICI LDA CODE1,X
STA TBUFFR,X
DEX
BPL BASICI
JMP TBUFFR

COLD1 JSR BASVEC
JSR BASICI

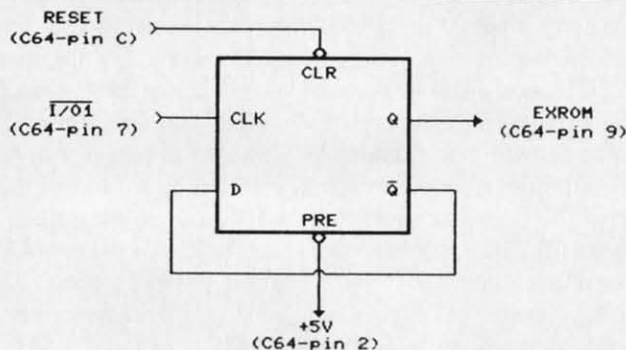
;GIVE DEVICES ON BUS TIME TO
;FINISH POWER UP SEQUENCE
LDX #32

;SET UP TIMER 1, CIA 1
TIME LDA #$FF
STA CIATA
STA CIATA+1
LDA #$19 ;FORCE LOAD
STA CIACRA
```



**FIGURE 2:**

A 74LS74 D-type flip-flop can be used to turn off the cartridge ROM, thereby recovering 8K of RAM which would be hidden behind it.



**FIGURE 3:**

When D and Q are wired together, the flip-flop is configured as a toggle. This allows the cartridge ROM to be alternated with underlying RAM in the C-64 address space under program control.

off, a second store would turn it back on a third store would turn it off again, and so on. By doing this, we have effectively added 8K of ROM memory to the C-64. A library of machine language subroutines, perhaps for high speed graphics, drivers for analog to digital convertors, or high speed disk access, could be placed in the external ROM. A BASIC application program could access these routines by first turning the ROM on with a PEEK(56832), calling the desired routine with a SYS command, then turning off the ROM with another PEEK(56832).

If you are not up to building your own EPROM cartridge board then use one of the reasonably priced prepared boards available from the EPROM programmer manufacturers. The photograph on page 53 shows such a board with a cheap and dirty way of installing the 74LS74 flip-flop. You may want to use a socket instead of soldering directly to the chip.

Additional information on digital electronics and microcomputer systems can be found in *Engineer's Notebook II* by Forest M. Mims III (Radio Shack), *Digital Systems* by Ronald J.

## FOR TURNKEY 64

```
LDA CIAICR ;CLEAR PENDING IRQS
;WAIT FOR TIMER TO COUNT DOWN
TIMOUT LDA CIAICR
AND #$01
BEQ TIMOUT
DEX
BNE TIME
```

```
;TEST IF DEVICE PRESENT
LDA #0
STA STATUS
LDA #8
JSR LISTEN
LDA #$6F
JSR SECOND
LDA STATUS
BEQ COLD2
```

```
;NO DEVICE ON BUS, JUST EXIT
ERROR LDA #0
STA STATUS
JMP BASIC
```

```
COLD2 JSR UNLSN
```

```
;LOAD IN FILE, ASSUMES A BASIC PROGRAM
;OR ML PROGRAM STARTED WITH A SYS CALL.
LDA #$EA ;FIRST DISABLE STOP
STA ISTOP
LDA #8 ;FILE #8
TAX ;DEVICE #8
LDY #0 ;LOAD, NOT VERIFY
JSR SETLFS
LDA #4 ;FILE NAME LENGTH
LDX #<NAME ;POINTER TO FILE NAME
LDY #>NAME
```

```
JSR SETNAM
LDA #0 ;RELOCATED LOAD
LDX TXTTAB ;AT $0801
LDY TXTTAB+1
JSR LOAD ;AND LOAD THE RAM
BCS ERROR
;CARRY CLEAR, NO ERROR
JSR CLALL
```

```
;SET END OF PROGRAM POINTERS
LDA EAL
LDY EAL+1
STA VARTAB
STY VARTAB+1
```

```
;CLEAR BASIC VARIABLE SPACE
;AND RELINK BASIC LINES
```

```
JSR CLEAR
JSR CHAIN
LDA #0 ;TURN OFF MESSAGES
JSR SETMSG
JSR DECTXT ;ADJUST TEXT POINTERS
```

```
;MOVE AND EXECUTE CODE
```

```
LDX #32
EXEC LDA CODE2,X
STA TBUFFR,X
DEX
BPL EXEC
JMP TBUFFR
```

```
;FILE NAME, IN THIS CASE LOAD IN
;FIRST FILE ON DISK
NAME .BYTE '0:?'
;ERROR HANDLER, CODE MOVED TO
;TAPE BUFFER & EXECUTED THERE
```

```
CODE1 STA IO1 ;CARTRIDGE OFF
LDA #00 ;TEST IF ROM OFF
STA $8004
BIT $8004
BMI CODE1A ;NOT RAM
```

```
;IS RAM, SO RESET
;TOP OF MEMORY TO $A000
LDY #$A0
STA MEMS21
STA MEMS22
STY MEMS21+1
STY MEMS22+1
CODE1A LDA #$ED
STA ISTOP ;ENABLE STOP
JMP ($A000) ;AND
;GOTO BASIC(READY.)
```

```
;EXECUTE PROGRAM, CODE MOVED TO
;TAPE BUFFER & EXECUTED THERE
CODE2 STA IO1 ;CARTRIDGE OFF
LDA #00 ;TEST IF ROM OFF
STA $8004
BIT $8004
BMI CODE2A ;NOT RAM
```

```
;IS RAM, SO RESET
;TOP OF MEMORY TO $A000
LDY #$A0
STA MEMS21
STA MEMS22
STY MEMS21+1
STY MEMS22+1
```

```
CODE2A LDA #$ED
STA ISTOP ;ENABLE STOP
JMP RUN ;AND RUN PROGRAM
```

```
.END
```

# CHARACTER DUMP

## Instant Text Screen Printer for the 64

By James C. Sanders

Tocci (Prentice-Hall), and *Digital Integrated Circuits* by Joseph Kasper (Prentice-Hall). The last book is highly recommended for beginners.

Special thanks to Bruce I. Brachman and to the management of R.J. Brachman Associates, Inc. The illustrations were created with *Flexidraw* from Inkwell systems. □

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### Instructions for Testing the AUTO-EXEC Cartridge

1. The prototype works best if your C-64 and disk drive are powered off the same switch on a power strip. Otherwise you will need to turn the drive on first, then power up the C-64.
2. Insert the cartridge in the expansion port, and insert a disk with a suitable boot file in the drive. Close the drive door.
3. Power up the C-64. The screen will be black with a gray border. After a slight delay, the C-64 will begin to load the first file off the disk and then begin executing that file.
4. Test the backdoor and safeguard features by powering up the C-64 with the drive turned off. The C-64 will power up with the normal startup message. The same thing will happen if the drive is on but no disk is present. Test the backdoor by powering up while holding the CBM logo key down.
5. Test the ROM disable feature as follows: once the boot program has finished its job, and the READY message appears, type in direct mode `POKE 32768,0:PRINT PEEK (32768)`. A 0 will be printed, showing that RAM is present at \$8000 (32768). Now type a `PRINT PEEK (56832)`. This will bank the ROM back into the C-64 memory space. Try to `POKE` to 32768. You will not be able to change the value there since it is ROM. Type `PRINT PEEK (56832)` a second time. This will bank the ROM out and the RAM back in. Try a `POKE` to 32768 now. You will now be able to change the value.

**M**any versions of screen dump programs have been devised since the home computer was introduced, with a variety of shortcomings. A screen dump program written in BASIC must be added to another program in order to load properly and work with that program. Many dump programs will only work with one printer. A dump program in machine language, however, will be free of any interference with the BASIC program you may be working with.

The first version of *Character Dump* was written with only 97 bytes of memory. It proved very valuable, but had to be activated with a system command from either the program or by direct mode.

It became apparent that a screen dump activated by a function key would be much more useful. The program was rewritten to use the f7 key to activate the procedure. The program is now 149 bytes of machine language memory. It has been located at a high memory address of 52992 (\$CF00) to prevent interference with other ML programs located at the 49152 (C000) location.

This version of the program is pre-

sented with a BASIC loader. This loader, when run, will load to the memory address 52992 and then erase the loader from memory. It will print the checksum value of all the data statements and instructions to the screen before doing so.

You may save the instructions to your printer by typing `SYS 52992 <RETURN>` and pressing the f7 key. A different function key may be selected by following the `POKE` instructions on the screen. It will revert to key f7 when you run the program the next time. The program may also be activated from within a BASIC program by `SYS 53034`. Direct mode entry of the `SYS 53034` command will also activate the program.

The program will work a wide variety of printers, including all Commodore, Silver Reed, Olivetti, Sanyo, and Panasonic printers. Remember, it is not a graphics or high resolution screen dump, but one for note-taking as you program. Some game cartridges and fast load programs will interfere with the proper execution of the program. Remove them prior to loading *Character Dump*. □

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# REVIEWS

## S'MORE

Cardco, Inc.

Commodore 64

Cartridge; \$69.95

*S'MORE* is Cardco's third offering in their catchy name product line. The first two were the G-Wiz and its prototype Oui-G printer interfaces. We can't give them all the credit for dreaming up this one, as a survey of your grocer's shelves will readily show. Nevertheless, Cardco gets full credit for the Super Memory Optimized RAM/ROM Expansion they devised for their chosen acronym. In any event the name is entirely apropos, as a *S'MORE* cartridge in a C-64 will definitely provide more of all those things that BASIC programmers are looking for.

Some of what's more is immediately apparent from the moment you power up. The dark gray on white opening screen shows 61,183 bytes free, more than 1½ times what is normally available to C-64 BASIC 2.0. As if to emphasize the point, BASIC's "READY" prompt has also been replaced by "ok". Perhaps the *S'MORE* operating code was originally written in FORTH. The extra RAM is not built into the *S'MORE* cartridge. It is part of the original 64 kilobytes of RAM which comes with the computer. *S'MORE* makes this memory available to the BASIC programmer by adding memory handling hardware and firmware similar to that which is built into the Commodore Plus/4 computer.

The *S'MORE* cartridge does contain 24 kilobytes of ROM, which supplements the 16 kilobytes already in the C-64. This additional code does a lot more than manipulate the C-64 RAM. *S'MORE* adds some 47 much-needed commands to BASIC 2.0. In addition, many of BASIC's existing commands are enhanced in subtle and convenient ways.

Many of the added commands are in the Programmer's Aid and Operating System Support categories.

Heading the list are the AUTO and NUMBER commands which take the tedium out of numbering and renumbering BASIC program statements. The number command will also flag unresolved line numbers in GOTOs and GOSUBs by assigning them to line number 63999. A rare treat for Commodore programmers are the FIND and CHANGE commands which locate and substitute text strings anywhere in your program. A useful application is to FIND the aforementioned 63999s.

With *S'MORE* the ability to create and maintain BASIC subroutine libraries is more than possible. In fact it becomes downright convenient to organize your program files and utilities. The DELETE command, which provides for the elimination of

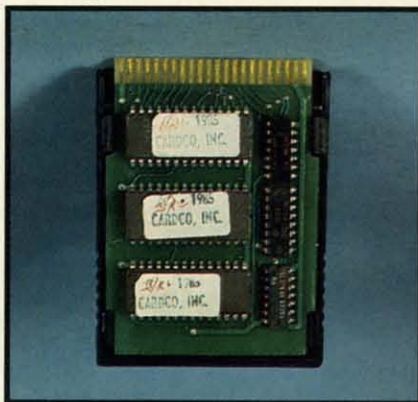
program lines en masse, supports easy creation of program modules. The MERGE command will recombine these modules with any other program in memory. This is a true merge where the added lines are properly placed into the existing program's line number sequence. Incoming lines will also replace existing lines with the same numbers, so watch out. Liberal use of the NUMBER command will of course help keep things straight.

When MERGEing programs be sure to bring in the longest ones first. The MERGE operation is time consuming. Combining a long program with a short one in memory can take several minutes—after the disk drive has stopped working.

Life with the 1541 disk drive is greatly improved by *S'MORE*. A PRINT DSS will read and display the disk error channel. The CATALOG command displays the directory without affecting the program in memory. LOAD may be typed right over a directory display as the default device is now the disk drive instead of the cassette. The trailing PRG in the display is effectively ignored as well. Programs may be LOADED and RUN in one fell swoop by the RUN "prg name" command, and the Commodore/RUN STOP keys now LOAD and RUN the first program on the disk. The new DISK command facilitates sending any of Commodore's DOS commands to the disk drive. In all, the added disk support is nearly as convenient as the DOS wedge.

The function keys are easily programmed with *S'MORE*. The KEY command will assign any string (up to a combined total of 128 bytes) to the function keys. Some useful commands are placed in the function keys by *S'MORE* on power up. For example, f3 will read the disk drive error channel while f7 displays the directory.

*S'MORE* includes several facilities for program debugging. A running program may be STOPPED at any



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Thomas Z: Hey Bob - I just got my
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Debbie Z Thom, do you know the name of
the User Group in Kansas
City?
Ray Al Great to hear it, Thomas!
Bob, you can find some User
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Gerald V Hello everyone :)
Ray Al Hello Gerald! I just got your
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time, its non-array variables DUMPed, and CONTInued from where it was interrupted. The TRACE command can be used to keep track of the program lines as they execute. The TRAP and RESUME commands will even intercept BASIC programming errors without aborting the program. The ER, EL, and ERR\$ variables let you identify the specific errors and their line numbers as they are TRAPed. If you should encounter a syntax error, the HELP command will show you the line where it's located.

The commands for inputting and outputting data are enhanced by *S'MORE*. The AT command locates the cursor on the display screen. The USING as in PRINT USING and the associated PUDEF commands conveniently format printed output. Control of user input is improved with the INLINE (accepts punctuation and quotes), INFORM (defines the input field), and GETKEY (waits for a keypress) commands.

*S'MORE* comes with a detailed 150-page manual which is up to Cardco's usual high standards. Each command is thoroughly documented, complete with illustrative examples.

A *S'MORE* system memory map is included to let you adjust machine language subroutines for the *S'MORE* environment. The Commodore Kernel vectors remain unchanged, as well as many key locations in low RAM. However, most other machine-dependent locations have been significantly modified. For one thing, the C-64's "protected" RAM in the \$C000 block is now part of *S'MORE* BASIC's workspace. Also, all of the I/O block is no longer directly accessible by PEEKing and POKEing. Instead, *S'MORE* BASIC provides a complete set of reserved variables for this purpose. Even the screen memory is no longer in the same place.

The manual does mention that the *S'MORE* memory banking is similar to what is used by the Commodore Plus/4. It even refers you to the Commodore documentation for a description. Unfortunately, the Plus/4 technical notes are not readily available to the general public. We would have liked to see

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s'more details on the *S'MORE* memory banking in its manual.

A *S'MORE* demo disk with numerous illustrative programs is included in the package. Since the disk is not part of the advertising, Cardco does not feel the need to cover it under warranty. They will replace it for \$3 if it fails to work.

Although *S'MORE* is fully upward compatible with BASIC 2.0, any programs using PEEKs and POKEs will probably require modification. From the standpoint of using existing programs, it will be best to treat a C-64 with *S'MORE* as a new Commodore computer.

As with other cartridge firmware for the C-64, *S'MORE* automatically asserts itself on power up. *S'MORE* may be incompatible with some early versions of the C-64. If your display fills with commercial at (@) symbols you will know what we mean. *S'MORE* will also work the C-128 in C-64 mode if the Commodore logo key is held down when powering up or when the reset button is pressed. Turning on the C-128 with *S'MORE* in place and without following the above sequence prevents the computer from initializing. The GO64 command will not work at all if *S'MORE* is in the expansion port.

You should also be able to use *S'MORE*'s MERGE facility with C-128 programs. However, programs will not LIST properly, as the C-128's BASIC 7.0 tokens are not compatible with *S'MORE* BASIC.

After all the good things we found in *S'MORE*, we had to really dig deep to come up with some shortcomings. The complex memory management performed by *S'MORE* does eat up some processor time. Some BASIC operations, such as DIMensioning and filling large arrays or performing many repetitive calculations, will run a bit slower than on the C-64. The penalties are not severe and may be more than offset by *S'MORE*'s improved garbage collection routines. The latter are nearly 30 times faster than in BASIC 2.0.

If you are really after speed, Cardco is planning to offer a *S'MORE* compiler in the near future. The com-

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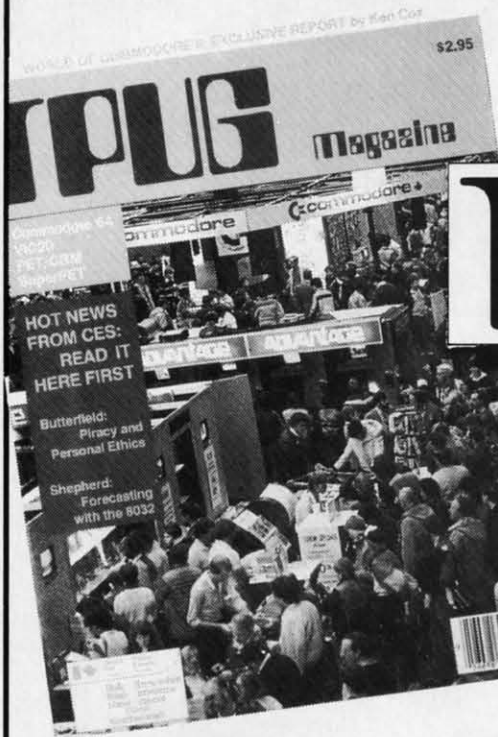
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piller will require a *SMORE* cartridge.

The following table summarizes the results of our benchmark tests:

## S'MORE BENCHMARK TESTS

	CALC	DIM	GARBAGE
S'MORE	8238	3527	45
C-64	6158	2586	1296
C-128	7941	3442	12
C-128 (FAST)	3758	1627	6

Note: all times are in jiffies (1/60 second).

Since *SMORE* was so convenient to have around, we didn't want to unplug it from the computer. However, this was often necessary when running commercial software or existing utilities. The *SMORE* modifications to the C-64 memory map are not

compatible with most existing programs. A useful addition to the *SMORE* cartridge would be a simple way to enable and disable it without having to unplug it. A cartridge expander board, with its own control switches, may not be the solution, due to the space limitations of many installations.

We have presented here just some of the features of *SMORE*. In fact the more we use *SMORE* the more we find out about it and the more we like it. If you are still looking for a BASIC support utility for your C-64 then *SMORE* certainly merits serious consideration.

Cardco, Inc., 300 S. Topeka, Wichita, KS 67202 (phone: 316-267-3807). —Morton Kevelson

## TABLE OF S'MORE BASIC KEYWORDS

### Group 1 — Programmer's Aid

HELP	— Identifies syntax error
	— Same as REM
AUTO	— Automatic line numbering
*LIST	— Does not terminate program
DELETE	— Deletes program lines
FIND	— Locates text in program
CHANGE	— Replaces found characters
NUMBER	— Renumbers program lines
DUMP	— Lists non-array variables
TRACE	— Tracks program execution
OLD	— UnNEW
DEC	— Hexadecimal to decimal
HEX\$	— Decimal to hexadecimal
KEY	— Assigns function keys
TRAP	— Where to go on syntax error
ER, EL	— Error number and line
ERR\$	— Error message
RESUME	— Where to go after error

### Group 2 — Disk Support

CATALOG	— Displays disk directory
*LOAD	— Defaults to device 8
*RUN	— Loads and RUNs program
MERGE	— Merges BASIC program
DISK	— Sends DOS command
DS, DS\$	— Reads DOS error channel
DOPEN#	— OPENS relative file
RECORD#	— Accesses relative file record

### Group 3 — User Interface

AT	— Locates cursor as in PRINT AT
USING	— Prints with format as in PRINT USING
PUDEF	— Defines format for USING
*INPUT	— Works with AT
INLINE	— INPUT accepts quote, colon and comma
	— Accepts only string variables

\*enhanced version of existing command

INLINE#	— Same as INLINE for file#
INFORM	— Formatted INPUT
GETKEY	— Waits for keypress

### Group 4 — Structured Programming

DO/LOOP	— Start and end of do loop
WHILE	— Use in do loop
UNTIL	— Ditto
EXIT	— Leave do loop now
ELSE	— As in IF...THEN...ELSE

### Group 5 — PEEK and POKE Eliminators

CIA(x)	— The CIA chips
COL(x)	— Color memory
SID(x)	— The SID chip
VIC(x)	— The VIC chip
VID(x)	— Screen memory

Note: The parameter in each of these reserved variables corresponds to a register or memory address.

### Group 6 — Odds and Ends

INSTR	— Finds substring within string
*MID\$=\$	— Permits substitution of string
*RESTORE	— Resets pointer to specified line
CLS	— Clears screen
UPPER	— Sets upper case/graphics
LOWER	— Sets upper/lower case
REPEAT	— Controls key stutter
NORM	— Clears screen and resets colors to default conditions
*STOP	— Enables or disables the STOP key
RESET	— System reset
MONITOR	— Go to machine language monitor
BORDER	— Sets border color
PAPER	— Sets screen color
INK	— Sets character color

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Say, how about a new Gemini 10X printer for \$57.50? It's got a typeface that's so near letter quality, you have to see it to appreciate it.

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Where can you get a printer like this? If you have a Gemini 10X, you already own one. But for \$57.50, a module about half the size of a cassette tape is available that will upgrade the typeface. The German-made module has been used in the European Gemini models for about a year. Only recently did it become available in the United States.

Just about anyone can install it. The printer comes apart by removing two screws in the rear of the top deck. The module replaces the two integrated circuits sitting side-by-side in the center of a circuit board located directly behind the carriage. It's just a matter of prying them out of their sockets (a small jeweler's screwdriver comes in handy to get them worked loose).

Once out, the near-letter-quality module plugs in the sockets. In 20 minutes, the chore is done.

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Besides having to do the installation yourself, there are some other tradeoffs for getting print quality as good as Star Micronics' newer SG-10 for a fraction of the price.

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  - 3) Type RUN (starts COMAL)
  - 4) Type AUTO (turn on auto line#'s)
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  - 6) Hit RETURN key twice when done
  - 7) Type RUN
    - e=enter f=find l=list
- f  
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0010 dim name$ of 20, phone$ of 12
0020 dim disk$ of 2
0030 black:=0; white:=1; yellow:=7
0040 background black
0050 repeat
0060   pencolor white
0070   print "e=enter f=find l=list"
0080   case key$ of
0090     when "e","E"
0100       enter name
0110     when "f","F"
0120       input "What name?": name$
0130       find name(name$)
0140     when "l","L"
0150       find name("")
0160     otherwise
0170       print chr$(147) //clearscreen
0180   endcase
0190 until true=false //forever
0200 //
0210 proc enter name
0220   input "Enter name : ": name$
0230   input "Enter phone: ": phone$
0240   if name$>" " then add to file
0250 endproc enter name
0260 //
0270 proc add to file
0280   open file 2,"phone.dat",append
0290   disk$:=status$
0300   if disk$<>"00" then
0310     close // data file not found
0320     open file 2,"phone.dat",write
0330   endif
0340   write file 2: name$,phone$
0350   close
0360 endproc add to file
0370 //
0380 proc find name(search$)
0390   zone 21 // set auto tab to 21
0400   pencolor yellow
0410   open file 2,"phone.dat",read
0420   while not eof(2) do
0430     read file 2: name$,phone$
0440     if search$ in name$ then
0450       print name$,phone$
0460     endif
0470   endwhile
0480   close
0490   print "Hit <return> when ready"
0500   while key$<>chr$(13) do null
0510 endproc find name

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According to Info Designs, *The Communication Edge* "can help you evaluate the personalities, strengths, and weaknesses of people in your meetings, and provide specific tactics to listen accurately and speak persuasively." *The Management Edge* "can help you increase motivation and prevent manager/staff conflicts." *The Negotiation Edge* "can help you anticipate likely opponent maneuvers, implement alternative tactics and test their effectiveness." *The Sales Edge* "can help you maximize sales calls by providing insights into customer buying styles."

These programs perform a sort of online psychological assessment of you and of the individual with whom you will be interacting. Actually, they only assess your impressions of that other person. I guess you could have that person enter his own data, but then you would lose the edge the software is supposed to give you.

Each program asks you to agree or disagree with a number of statements or sentences about yourself and a number of single-word characteristics about your counterpart. You might agree that, for you, "fair play is a losing strategy" and you may disagree that your counterpart is either "honest" or "egotistical." The statements and traits are not organized in any obvious way and fluctuate from positive to negative.

You will want to complete the self-assessment first, which will take you about 20 minutes. Each program will display 86 to 90 statements on the screen, one at a time, except *Nego-*

Printing a one-page letter with 230 words took 43 seconds using the Gemini in its normal, emphasized mode. With the NLQ chip turned on, the same letter took 83 seconds. Still, that's an average of 14 characters a second, or about the speed of some inexpensive daisy wheel printers.

The near letter quality typeface resides where the italic face used to be, so you'll sacrifice the slanted letters. But the new type provides sufficient consolation. And the NLQ mode can be used with expanded and underlined words.

The letter forms are pleasing, with the exception of one slight flaw: the double quotation marks and the single apostrophe curve ever-so-slightly toward the left, making them look a little out of place at the start of a sentence or phrase. They'd have been perfect if left straight.

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This is the Gemini  
10x printer in the  
draft mode.

This is the Gemini  
10x printer in the  
emphasized mode.

This is the Gemini  
10x printer using the  
near-letter-quality  
module.

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I've tried the NLQ chip with some popular word processing programs, including *Fleet System 2*, *PaperClip*, and *Easy Script*. It worked every time. Nor did it interfere with screen dumps or offerings from *The Print Shop*.

It would be a valid comparison to say that the NLQ module has done for the Gemini 10X's typeface what the fast loading cartridges have done for the 1541 disk drive's speed.

The NLQ Kit works with the Gemini 10X and 15X and the Delta 10 and 15 printers.

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tion, which displays 5 per screen. Your options are to agree, disagree, go to the next statement, or go to the previous statement. Or you can quit the self-assessment, save what you have entered, and return to the main menu. From program to program, the assessments bear a lot of similarity to one another.

Next, you assess your counterpart (in *Communication* and *Negotiation*), customer (in *Sales*), or subordinate (in *Management*). *Negotiation* gives you the most thorough opportunity for this assessment, asking you to respond to 90 traits and 22 statements about your counterpart. *Communication* and *Management* only ask you about 55 traits, and *Sales*, 66. In each case, 10 traits are listed on the screen; when you respond to the last one, the next screen appears. It is easy to visually verify your response to every trait except the last one on each screen. The screens change so fast that you will have to back up, with the "previous" command, if you are afraid you hit A (agree) instead of D (disagree), or vice versa.

In assessing your counterpart, you have the same options as you did in the self-assessment. Each of the programs except *Negotiation* also offers some level of help. *Communication* and *Management* "help" you by reminding you that each question requires a response and by describing the responses—agree, disagree, next, previous, and quit. *Sales* has far and away the best help function for assessment of your customer. Hit the "H" key and the screen will display a definition of the trait to which you are responding as well as your possible responses. All four programs should have this quality of online help.

Before you can print a strategy report, you must have responded to every trait in both the self- and counterpart assessments. Assessments are stored directly on the program disk. You are limited to storing one self-assessment and nine assessments of others. If two people use the program, their self-assessments will have to be completely reentered each time they switch or they will each have to copy the sequential file containing

their data to another disk and then back to the program disk. The program disk is heavily copy protected, so expect to do a lot of writing to it. "What, me worry?"

After completing the assessments, choose to print a strategy report. The program will prompt you to remove the program disk and insert the output disk that comes in the package. The output disk stores "canned" paragraphs that the program cuts and pastes into a final report based on its analysis of your input. All the programs, except *Management*, use both sides of this second disk for text, so there is a fair amount of material from which the program may select.

*Communication* and *Management* reports will be broken into sections with headings like "Be Flexible" or "Create Moderate Stress." *Negotiation's* report is organized into a summary of your counterpart's expected attitudes, a description of his initial position, tactics for you to consider, and a game plan suggesting possible openings, in-process, and closing arguments. The report from *Sales* tells

you what to expect from your customer's style compared to yours, lists steps to succeed with your customer, and gives you opening, presentation, and closing strategies.

Reports can be sent to the screen or to the printer. They will run from one to two dozen screens of text or three to eight printed pages. Reports use your counterpart's name or initials and appropriately refer to "him" or "her." (You tell the program whether your counterpart is "Mr." or "Ms." when you ask for a report.)

I have numerous small complaints about the *Edge* programs. *Negotiation* prompts you to enter your counterpart's name. If you backspace past the first character you type, the program will crash, returning you to BASIC. And *Negotiation*, unlike the other three, will not allow you to update your assessment of a counterpart. You must reenter all your answers from scratch—especially annoying since *Negotiation* has the most comprehensive assessment (112 responses).

*Management* also had its quirks. Maybe I had a bad diskette, but ev-

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everything involving the disk took longer. Generating a final report took a full 20 minutes—four times longer than the other programs. And after the report had printed, I tried to enter another assessment for a subordinate. Everything worked fine, except the screen was blank where the traits should have been listed. I could still agree or disagree, but with what? The same thing happened when I tried to update my self-assessment after printing a report.

*Sales* has no "next" option in the self-assessment. That's no problem, unless you are updating an existing assessment. You will have to go backward through the statements with the "previous" command. *Communication*, I am glad to say, had no glitches. It did, however, like all the others, contain occasional spelling and capitalization errors. Those were not too annoying in the text of final reports, but when you are rating a counterpart and have to agree or disagree that he is "derendable," your concentration will certainly be broken.

One real limitation of the assess-

ments is that they only allow you to agree and disagree. This limitation might affect the validity of the final report. I would have preferred strongly agree, somewhat agree, no opinion, somewhat disagree, and strongly disagree. In assessing others, I often found that I did not know if they were "moody," or "organized," or "clever." I would have entered "no opinion" if given the choice.

In assessing myself, I had trouble with some statements like "I would rather 'win' than make another person happy." If I win, will that person be unaffected (though not "happy") or will he be broken? Or, "My success depends more on others and luck than on my own skill." As a manager, I'd say my success depends on my skill or ability to get work done through others. So the right answer must be....

Each of the *Edge* programs comes with a brief (13- to 17-page) booklet that describes the program generally and tells how to load and run it. Since the programs are menu-driven, instructions are almost unnecessary.

Each program also has a screen or two of online instructions available at the main menu. What is missing is any guidance in the areas of communication, management, negotiation, or sales beyond what is printed in the strategy reports.

To the degree that those reports tell you to do specific things, you will be okay; unless your interaction calls for a change in style. But the reports do not teach communication, etc. They give you general advice, not specific examples or exercises to develop your skills. Available from Info Designs for \$15.95 each are booklets on the fundamentals of management, negotiation, or sales. I thought those should have been included in the \$79.95 purchase price, however.

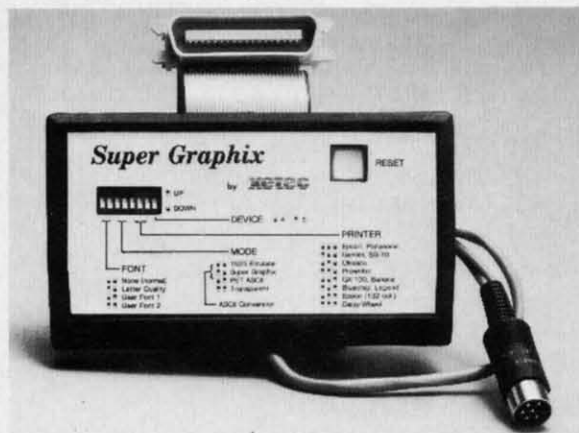
The *Edge* programs come with a standard 90-day warranty. Backup disks cost \$12.50 when you mail your warranty card, and \$25 any time after that. Support for the program costs \$25 per hour, though unless they intend to teach management over the phone, you should need no support to use this software.

The *Edge* series has been great fun and I intend to try some of its advice. Anticipating the recommendations in the strategy reports was fascinating. Even when I disagreed with some part of a report, it caused me to analyze my interactions much more closely than I normally would. *Edge* programs are fast to learn and easy to use. But they really only give you food for thought and are not professional development tools. And for \$79.95, I wish they would fix the typos and bugs and throw in the booklets on fundamentals.

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methods of parking. In chapter three, several hazardous traffic situations are depicted and you are asked about the best way to respond in each case.

Sound is also used in several of the chapters to help bring the material to life. For instance, in chapter three you are given a test of your reaction time. You are instructed to press any key when you hear the tone. When the tone sounds, a colored bar begins growing rapidly across the screen and stops once a key is pressed. By letting you see how long the bar gets in the time it takes you to respond to the sound, the program illustrates the delay between when you first notice a dangerous situation ahead of you on the road, and the time it takes you to react to it.

The program also comes with a thirty-page "Guide to Responsible Driving" which reiterates many of the points illustrated in the chapters. It then goes on to discuss a number of other issues related to responsible driving such as what to do at the scene of an accident, insuring that your car is in good condition, and state laws concerning traffic and safety violations. It includes a glossary of driving and automotive terms and is the perfect supplement to an excellent program.

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data.) Next you'll be asked if you want to include either or both optional insertions: an Attn: slot at the top of the body of the letter, and your job title (which appears below your name at the end of the letter). If you decide not to proceed, you may also back out and return to the main menu from this menu.

Otherwise the main menu shows up and offers nine general topics: letters of favour, inquiry, payment, sales, credit, complaint, collection, application, and miscellaneous. Punch a number and, after brief disk access, a submenu lists the specific letters in the chosen category. Most consist of five or six forms that vary in purpose or tone. Collection letters, for instance, include 13 different versions of "pay up." There is collection letter number one, then the one you'll send if the first is ignored, and three more—each a bit more insistent. (If you've ever bought anything on credit, this will sound familiar.) Then there's a so-called humorous letter that says, "Please send us the name of a lawyer in your town. We may have to sue you." And of course, the inevitable "have you forgotten?" (about the money you owe us) letter.

After choosing a letter from this menu, you wait a second while it loads. The letter is displayed, with blank lines embedded in the text. The first four blanks are for the name and address of the person you're writing. A prompt asks you to fill in the blanks, one by one, which is accomplished by typing the information at the bottom of the screen. A payment letter might read "I'm enclosing our cheque for \$—e— for the —f—." When prompted to fill in line e, you type the correct number. The name of the product goes in line f. Commas and colons may be included in an entry by beginning it with a quotation mark; entries may be up to 80 characters long.

The only snag with this process is that when long letters are displayed they automatically scroll down and cut off the top part of the text, so sometimes you can't see part of the letter in which blank e is mentioned. It's impossible to scroll up or page

back to review it, so you won't know what to enter there until you've printed at least one of these letters.

You can also personalize the contents of a letter by deleting or typing over the existing text. Spaces may be inserted if you need to add more text, but only up to the current length of a line. (In other words, you can't use the "insert" key to push the last word in a line down to the next line.) You can't save a letter that has been modified in this manner. When all the blanks have been filled in, the program tosses your information into the dotted lines, displays the results, and asks if you need to change the text in any of the blanks. If you decide to do so, a list shows the contents of each blank and lets you choose which you want to revise or replace. (But you can't go back and display the entire letter to see your changes in context.)

If you have no more changes to make, the program prints your letter, which rolls out of the printer as a standard modified block letter: your name and address are centered atop the page, the date and closing (Yours very truly) are set on the right side of the page, and the name and address of the person to whom the letter is addressed is on the left. Text is single-spaced, with a blank line between paragraphs; each paragraph is indented five spaces. (None of these settings are adjustable.) Margins are also preset, so you have to align the paper before printing.

After the letter is printed, you can print the same letter with a new address, return to the main menu to select a new letter, or quit the program. The first option is handy when dealing with a small number of letters on the same subject, but there is no way to insert names and addresses from a database and send out personalized form letters in volume.

The program was apparently written in Canada or England, so American users will have to edit the British spelling of words such as cheque and favour. You can't add notes about enclosures or copies sent to other people at the bottom of a letter. And the "documentation," all two paragraphs, doesn't say a word about

printer compatibility. With my TTX 1014 letter quality, the ? (which always precedes the program's prompt for information) was sometimes printed in my letter. And since there is no way to insert escape codes, you won't be able to underline or take advantage of your printer's particular features. I assume there will be no such problem with dot matrix printers, especially Commodore models—but you might want to be sure before buying the program.

And who would buy it? Anyone whose word processing time is devoted to generating a variety of form letters *one at a time*. Certainly you could sit down with a word processor and create your own form letters, placing blank lines in the appropriate spaces—but why bother when you can get 50 letters ready to go for a mere \$5.00? (The letters are all sequential files, too, which means they can be loaded with most word processors, edited to meet specific needs, and then resaved for later use with the word processor. However, this eliminates the convenient fill-in-the-blank feature.)

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# CRABFIGHT

## For the C-64

### By Buck Childress



**W**e've all heard of the Gunfight at the O.K. Corral. Now there's the Crabfight in Commodore RAM. Two crabs, red and purple, are pitted against each other in a duel to reach 200 points.

*Crabfight* is a machine language game that must be entered using *Flankspeed* (see page 98). After saving *Crabfight*, reset or turn off/on your computer. Disk users must LOAD "CRABFIGHT",8,1 and tape users LOAD "CRABFIGHT",1,1. When the program has finished loading, "READY." will appear on the screen. At this point type NEW and hit RETURN. To begin execution of the program type SYS 49152 and hit RETURN.

*Crabfight* will prompt you for the level of play. One is the fastest and three is the slowest. Next you select one or two players. If two are playing, the game starts. If not, you're asked to choose the computer difficulty, one being the hardest and three the easiest. Use joystick port 2 when playing the computer. By the way, the computer crab is a very formidable opponent.

The game begins with a crab race. A clam is placed in the center of the playing area. Five warning beeps will sound, then the race is on. The first crab to reach the clam takes possession of it. Each player must try to protect an octopus and at the same time attempt to eliminate the opponent's octopus by shooting the clam at it. You start with two of them. When they or any others are lost, a new octopus will appear. You receive 20 points each time you hit an opposing octopus. You also get five points whenever you hit the wall behind your opponent.

To move your crab, push the joystick in the direction you want it to go. You can take possession of the clam by touching it with your crab. To shoot the clam, press the fire button and push the joystick left to shoot left or right to shoot right. If you're the red crab, pressing the fire button while pulling the joystick back will shoot the clam straight. For the purple crab, press the fire button and push the joystick forward. Whenever you press the fire button your crab will turn blue. Press it only when you intend to shoot the clam. Your crab will not move with the fire button depressed and a quick opponent, observing your blue crab, will score a lot of points.

Once you have the clam, you are given three seconds (in crab time, of course) to get rid of it. A timer will

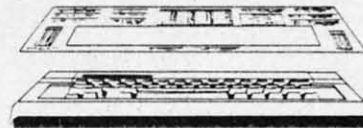
count down from three. If it reaches zero, you'll lose possession of the clam and your opponent gets ten penalty points. The clam is returned to the center of the playing area and a new crab race takes place.

*Crabfight* can be frozen in play by pressing RUN/STOP. A message will appear reminding you that pressing the N key will take you back to the opening menu for a new game, while pressing the C key will continue the game in progress. The message also appears at the end of the game. At this time, pressing the C key will start another game with the same levels and players as the previous game. Pressing the N key takes you back to the opening menu. □

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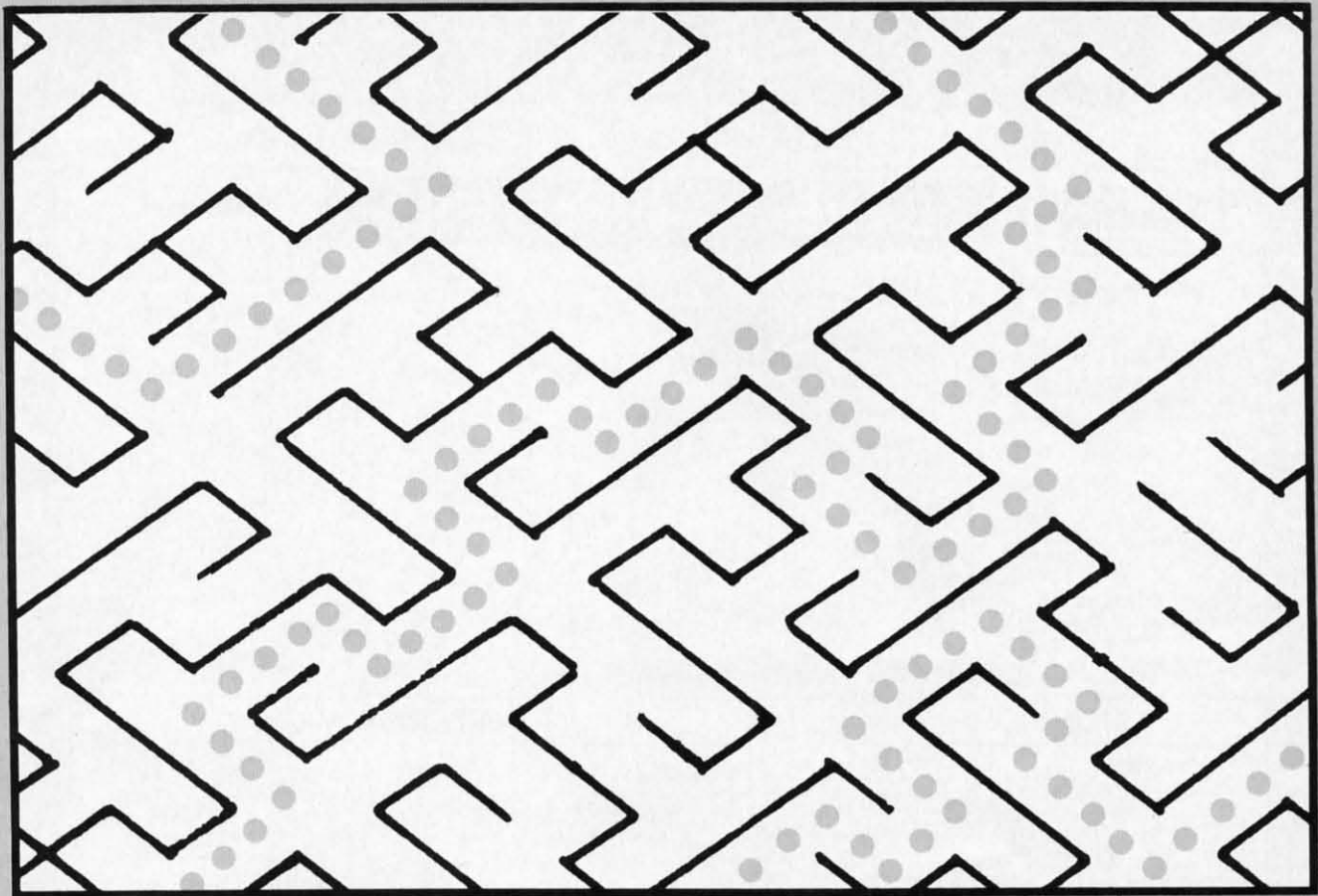
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# HEAD TO HEAD

## Two-Player Maze Action for the C-64

By Doug Smoak

**M**y first computer was a VIC 20 and I enjoyed playing and writing games for it. But one shortcoming of those games was that they were usually one person against the computer. You could have multiple players, but they were just taking turns playing against the computer. This was primarily because the VIC has only one joystick port.

When I got my C-64, I was so happy with its two joystick ports that I decided to write a game where two people could compete "head to head." This game is the result of that effort. It is the competition side by side on the screen that makes this game so much fun to play.

The format of the game is not that unusual: a maze filled with dots that you must guide your players through to gather points. The idea is to gather the dots before your opponent can. Since you play in identical mazes that are side by side on the screen, you don't really know where your opponent is until you see the dots in *your* maze disappearing.

The game has several options that may help to even out two players of different ages or skills. You can choose

to play a number of rounds and have the score accumulate from each round until the game is over. You can choose to have a bonus (a large x) placed in the maze that will be worth 500 points (50 dots) and you can replay a particular maze over and over by answering the MAZE NUMBER? prompt with the same number over and over. If you just hit RETURN you will get a randomly chosen maze.

After the options have been chosen the computer will draw the two mazes on the screen and fill them with dots. When the mazes are finished a "tune" will start playing and a 10-second countdown will begin before you can start. This countdown gives you a chance to plan your strategy and intimidate your opponent with verbal abuse. When the game is over the screen will show scores and announce the winner.

While this may seem like a friendly and harmless little game, I will not be responsible for broken friendships, marriages, or bones when you play *Head to Head*.

The listing has some comments in it to help you in debugging your program if you type it in and have problems.  SEE PROGRAM LISTING ON PAGE 119



# COMMODORE ROOTS

## MEMORY MAGIC

By Mark Andrews

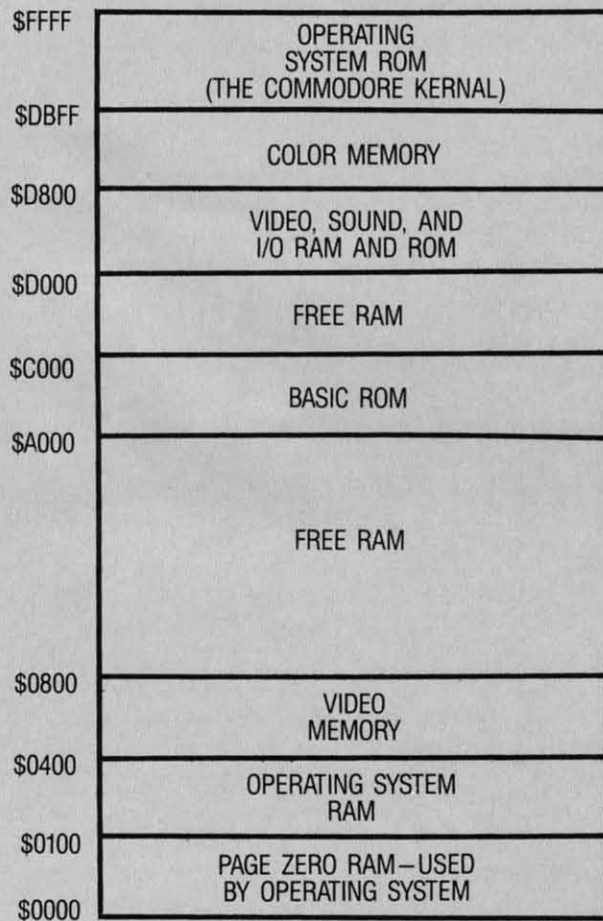
**T**he engineers who designed the Commodore 64 accomplished quite a feat: they stuffed 88 kilobytes of memory in a 64K machine. So, from a memory-management point of view, the C-64 is a rare breed of computer. Most 64K computers have only 48K or so of addressable RAM, plus around 16K of ROM, for a total of 64K. But the C-64 has a full 64K of user-addressable RAM, plus 24K of built-in ROM, for a total of 88K of memory.

This 88K is controlled by a pair of memory locations that occupy addresses \$0000 and \$0001 (that's just plain 0 and 1 in decimal notation, if you're not familiar with hexadecimal). With the help of these two memory registers, a skilled programmer can wield a tremendous

amount of control over a 64. By simply switching certain bits on and off in this pair of registers, you can actually determine which portions of your computer's memory will be used as RAM, and which blocks of memory will be used as ROM. And, as we shall see before this column is finished, that's a tremendous amount of power for a computer programmer to have.

If you really wanted to, you could use memory registers \$0000 and \$0001 to switch off every byte of ROM in your C-64. Then, if you had the necessary programming skill, you could turn your computer into a totally customized machine, with a homemade operating system and a set of input/output drivers of your own design. We're not going to get nearly that ambitious, but we will be dealing with one pretty fancy trick that involves switching back and forth between RAM and ROM. In this month's edition of *Commodore Roots*, you'll learn how to copy your computer's built-in character set from ROM into RAM. Then, next month, you'll learn how to modify this new character set and turn it into a set of custom-designed text or graphics characters.

**FIGURE 1**  
**A SIMPLIFIED MEMORY MAP OF THE**  
**COMMODORE 64 (NOT TO SCALE)**



### YOUR COMPUTER'S MEMORY MAP

Before we start doing all this, let's take a look at a memory map of the C-64. Figure 1 is a simplified map that illustrates your C-64's default memory configuration—what the computer's memory map looks like when the power is first turned on.

**Addresses \$0000 through \$00FF.** The block of memory that extends from \$0000 through \$00FF—often referred to as Page Zero—is so desirable that the designers of the C-64 claimed most of it for themselves. The operating system, the BASIC interpreter, and other essential ingredients of your computer system take up most of the available space on Page Zero. Consequently, there's very little room left on Page Zero for use in other kinds of programs.

This shortage of space on Page Zero can create tough problems for the assembly language programmer. It restricts the use of Page-Zero addressing, which can make programs run faster, and it also makes it difficult to use indirect indexed addressing, which will not work at all unless space on Page Zero is available. To write the best possible assembly language programs, therefore, a programmer just has to find at least a few free memory addresses on Page Zero. And, as you can see by looking at the following list, that can be quite a chore.

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## USEABLE PAGE-ZERO ADDRESSES

Memory Locations	Descriptions of Registers' Functions
\$00-\$01	Special 6510 processor I/O addresses
\$02	Not used
\$03-\$FA	Registers used by BASIC and the C-64 operating system
\$FB-\$FE	Bytes left free for user-written programs
\$FF	Used by BASIC interpreter

As you can see, there are only four bytes on Page Zero—\$FB, \$FC, \$FD, and \$FE—that are always free for use in user-written programs. But there are quite a few Zero-Page addresses that can be used safely in certain situations. For example, many of the addresses on Page Zero are reserved for use by the Commodore 64 BASIC interpreter, and a number of other Page-Zero addresses are used only by the floating-point arithmetic routines that are built into the 64. So, in assembly language programs that are not called from BASIC and do not make use of BASIC's floating-point routines, there are actually quite a few Page-Zero addresses that can be used. A complete list of these addresses can be found on the memory map starting on page 310 of the *Commodore 64 Programmer's Reference Guide*.

**Addresses \$0100 through \$01FF (The Stack).** Page One of the 64's memory—that is, the segment of memory that extends from \$0100 through \$01FF—is a special bank of memory called the stack. This is the section that the C-64's 6510 microprocessor uses as a temporary storage area during the processing of machine language programs. The stack is heavily used by the C-64 operating system, and is also available for use as a temporary storage area by user-written programs. Before you can use Page One safely, however, it is essential to have an understanding of how the stack works in assembly language programs. Under ordinary conditions, the stack cannot be used at all for permanent data storage. And, unless you have a thorough understanding of stack operations, it's best to stay completely away from Page One.

**Addresses \$0200 through \$03FF.** Most of the memory space that extends from \$0200 through \$03FF is reserved for use by the Commodore 64 operating system. However, there is one small block of memory in this area that is usually free for use in user-written programs. This free block, 88 bytes long, extends from memory address \$0237 through memory address \$02FF. This segment is memory is too short to do much programming in, but it can be a useful spot for storing data tables.

**Addresses \$0400 through \$07FF.** When you turn on your Commodore 64, the segment of memory that extends from \$0400 through \$07FF is the block that your computer uses as a memory map—that is, for the storage of data which it uses to generate its screen display. When the C-64 is in its high-resolution mode, however, this area is not nearly large enough to hold the amount of data that is needed for a screen map; it has only 1,000 bytes of storage space, while a high-resolution map requires 8,000 bytes. A high-resolution screen map can be stored in almost any block of free RAM that's big enough, and it's the programmer's responsibility to find one. Since the \$0400-\$07FF block of memory is not large enough to be used for high-resolution screen-mapping, it is generally used for another purpose in high-resolution programs: specifically, to determine what colors will be used in the C-64's high-resolution screen display.

**Addresses \$0800 through \$9FFF.** The 38K block of memory that extends from \$0800 through \$9FFF is free RAM, specifically set aside for use by user-written or commercial applications programs. When you write a program—or buy one—this is the area of memory in which it will usually be stored.

At first glance, this looks like quite a big hunk of memory. Unfortunately, however, the closer you look at it, the smaller it gets. When you write an assembly language program, your assembler, editor, and machine language monitor usually consume a large portion of this section of memory. And when you write a program that requires the use of both assembly language and BASIC, you can cramp your style even more, since you then have to take special precautions to keep your BASIC and machine language programs from running into each other. Some tips on how to separate the BASIC and machine language por-

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tions of a program will be provided later in this series of columns.

**Addresses \$A000 through \$BFFF.** When you turn on your 64, memory addresses \$A000 through \$BFFF are usually occupied by your computer's BASIC interpreter. If you don't need BASIC in a program, however, you can switch this block of memory from ROM to RAM, and can thus add 8K of user-accessible RAM to your computer's memory. Details on how to do this will also be provided later in this column.

**Addresses \$C000 through \$CFFF.** In memory locations \$C000 through \$CFFF, there is another 4K of RAM that's theoretically free for use in user-written programs. You sometimes have to be careful with this block of memory, though, since several popular C-64 assemblers—including the *Commodore 64* assembler, the *Merlin 64*, and the *Panther C-64*—all make use of it in one way or another. If you know how to stay out of your assembler's way, however, this is a useable segment of your computer's memory.

**Addresses \$D000 through \$D800.** Memory registers \$D000 through \$DFFF serve double-duty functions in the Commodore 64. With the help of some fairly sophisticated bank-switching techniques, these addresses are used as both RAM and ROM by the C-64's operating system. When they are used as RAM, their primary function is to help control input/output devices. When they are used as ROM, they hold the data which the C-64 uses to print characters on its video monitor. The techniques used to switch this block of addresses back and forth between RAM and ROM will be explained below.

**Addresses \$D800 through \$DBFF.** When the Commodore 64 is in its text mode, memory addresses \$D800 through \$DBFF are used for the storage of color data: the data that determines the colors of characters displayed on the screen. When the C-64 is in its high-resolution mode, this area of RAM is not used for color data and is free for other uses.

**Addresses \$DC00 through \$FFFF.** This block of memory is occupied by the Commodore 64 Kernal, a collection of machine language input/output routines that are extensively used by the C-64 operating system and are also available for use by user-written programs. If you had a need to, you could switch the C-64's Kernal ROM out of this area and use it as free RAM—but if you did that, you'd have to write your own operating system. A detailed explanation of the C-64 Kernal and how to use it can be found in Chapter 5 of the *Commodore 64 Programmer's Reference Guide*.

## ANOTHER LOOK AT \$0000 AND \$0001

As pointed out earlier, programs that switch back and forth between RAM and ROM often make use of memory registers \$0000 and \$0001. In literature about the Commodore 64, memory register \$0000 is often referred to as the computer's data-direction register, or as Register D6510. The D6510 register, as its name implies, is used to control the direction of the flow of data into and out of specified blocks of memory. It is also used to control

the direction of data flow to and from the Commodore 64 datacassette recorder.

Memory Location \$0001 is the Commodore 64's input/output port, or control port. It is often labeled R6510 in C-64 assembly language programs. The chief function of the R6510 register is to determine which blocks of memory will be used as RAM, and which as ROM, during the operation of a program.

The R6510 register and the D6510 have eight bits each, but only the lower six bits in each register—that is, Bits 0 through 5—are significant. And there is a direct one-to-one correspondence between each of these bits in each register. The six significant bits of the R6510 register are used to control the types of I/O data that flow to and from the C-64. And each significant bit of the data direction register controls the direction of the flow of this data. If a bit of the D6510 register is set to 1, then data which flows through the corresponding bit of the R6510 register is output data. If a bit of the D6510 register is cleared to 0, then the data which flows through the corresponding bit of the R6510 is input data. On the facing page is a table listing the six significant bits of the D6510 and R6510 registers, along with their functions.

## THE MAGIC BIT

The table on page 76 shows quite clearly what Bits 0, 1, 3, 4, and 5 of the R6510 and D6510 registers do. But Bit



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## THE R6510 AND D6510 REGISTERS

Bit	Name	Setting at Power-Up	Function
0	LORAM	1 (Output)	On: \$A000-\$BFFF is BASIC ROM Off: \$A000-\$BFFF is RAM
1	HIRAM	1 (Output)	On: \$E000-\$FFFF is Kernal ROM Off: \$E000-\$FFFF is RAM
2	CHAREN	1 (Output)	On: \$D000-\$DFFF is I/O ROM Off: \$D000-\$DFFF is character ROM
3		1 (Output)	On: Write to cassette line Off: Read from cassette line
4		0 (Input)	On: Cassette switch pressed Off: Cassette switch not pressed
5		1 (Output)	On: Cassette motor on Off: Cassette motor off

2—the CHAREN bit—is worthy of special note. It's the "magic bit" in the D6510 and R6510 registers; it determines whether memory addresses \$D000 through \$DFFF will be used as RAM registers by the C-64's operating system, or as character-generator ROM. When Bit 2 of the R6510 register is set, the \$D000-\$DFFF block of memory is used as RAM, primarily by the portion of the operating system that controls the operation of I/O devices. When the CHAREN bit is clear, all RAM stored in the \$D000-\$DFFF area becomes temporarily inaccessible,

and 4K of character-generator ROM—better known to most Commodore 64 users as the C-64 character set—is switched in. In memory management jargon, that kind of electronic hocus-pocus is called bank-switching. Here's how it works:

The Commodore 64's screen graphics are produced by a sophisticated microprocessor called a Video Interface Chip, or VIC-II. To generate the characters that it displays on the C-64's screen, this chip uses a 4K character set that is permanently stored in RAM addresses \$D000 through \$DFFF. However, the VIC-II chip does not need access to this character data all the time. Under ordinary conditions, the VIC chip has to refer to its character-generator data only 60 times each second, during a split-second screen blackout that is often referred to as a video refresh cycle. The rest of the time, the VIC chip is busy with other matters, and does not require access to its character data. Most of the time, therefore, the Commodore 64 keeps the character ROM on the \$D000-\$DFFF block of memory bank-switched out, and keeps a 4K block of RAM bank-switched in. Only during the video refresh cycle does the \$D000-\$DFFF memory block become character-generator ROM. This switching process takes place so rapidly, and so transparently, that it is hardly ever noticeable to the average Commodore user—or to the average Commodore programmer. As far as most programmers are concerned, the memory that extends from \$D000 to \$DFFF is nothing but RAM. But actually, as we have seen, it is a double-purpose block of memory that is sometimes RAM and sometimes ROM.

This bank-switching technique is an ingenious method for expanding the nominal memory of a computer. However, it can occasionally cause problems. Sometimes a programmer would like to have access to the C-64's built-in character set for a longer period of time than the brief video refresh cycle provides. For example, sometimes a programmer might want to copy the computer's character set from ROM into RAM, so that it can be modified and then used in a user-written program. And this is a situation in which Bit 2 of the R6510 chip can come in quite handy. To prevent the C-64's character data from being bank-switched out while it is being copied, all a programmer has to do is turn off the CHAREN bit while the data-duplication process is taking place, and then turn it on again. While the CHAREN bit is off, the character-generator ROM in the \$D000-\$DFFF block of memory can be copied into RAM. Then, when the copying operation is finished, the CHAREN bit can be turned back on.

The listing on page 104, called MOVECHRS, is an assembly language program that turns the CHAREN bit off, copies the C-64 character set from ROM into RAM, and then turns the CHAREN bit on again. In next month's column, we'll see how this duplicate character set can be combined with high-resolution graphics and incorporated into some user-written programs. □

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# CADET'S COLUMN

## Building Up to Structured Programming By Cheryl Peterson

**A** few months ago, I talked about programming and presented a mortgage program that was thrown together in a rather slipshod manner. The point was to show that a program doesn't have to be a work of art to work. Today, we'll examine two different versions of the same program, *Compuphobia*. The first version is an unstructured but functional quiz program. The second version is the perfected and organized version. (Well, since perfection is relative, it's relatively perfected.) You'll probably notice right away that the second is shorter. This is one objective of structured programming: to make prudent use of computer memory by shortening a program. We'll take a close look at how this is possible.

Another reason for structuring is to make the resulting program easier to modify for alternative purposes. We'll touch on that a bit, too.

The third point of our exercise is to have a little fun. Our program supposedly measures an individual's level of compuphobia. After you've typed it in, you can try it on your "phobic phriends."

But first, let's pretend that you're going to design a program that asks a series of questions and analyzes the answers to come up with a pseudo-scientific result. We want to devise questions whose answers give some indication of how well a person will interact with a computer. So the first step is to create a multiple choice test, similar to the ones given by schools. Then you must come up with a way to analyze the answers and give an evaluation of the total.

I devised a ten-question quiz with one bonus question. Using a rating system that weighs answers on a 0-3 scale, I came up with possible scores between 0 and 30. Since I think most people's reactions to computers fall into one of four categories, my test gives four classifications depending on the quiz results.

Throughout the remainder of this column we'll be referring to the two program listings found under the heading *Compuphobia—Slipshod Version* (page 100) and *Structured Version* (page 101).

### PROGRAMMING

Once you've got the questions, the fun starts. Programming! PRINT statements are used to display the questions on the screen. To read the answers, we need to accept input from the keyboard. There are two ways to do this: GET or INPUT statements. I chose to use INPUT because it waits for a carriage return before accepting input. This allows the person taking the test to change his mind. A short bit about GET statements later when we examine the structured version of the program. For now, let's look at the messy one.

```
130 PRINT"USING MY MICROWAVE'S AUTOMATIC
TIMER AND PRE-PROGRAMMED"
131 PRINT"COOKING CYCLES BOTHERS ME"
132 PRINT"1) NONE"
133 PRINT"2) A LITTLE"
134 PRINT"3) SOME"
135 INPUT"4) VERY MUCH";A
```

Now that we have the answer to the first question (line 135), we need to evaluate the answer and quantify it. We could assign a different variable to each question and then figure it all out at the end, but I wanted to keep variables to a minimum. So each answer is assigned to A, evaluated, and then added to the total score T.

```
136 IF A=1THEN T=T+A
137 IF A=2THEN T=T+2
138 IF A=3THEN T=T+3
139 IF A=4THEN T=T+4
```

Using the IF/THEN statements, let us compare the answer to a particular value and then reassign a value to the score. In subsequent answer evaluations, we take the new value and add it to the total we're accumulating. When the test is complete, we'll have a total that reflects all the choices made.

Since we need to be sure there's no cheating, we make sure the answer is between 1 and 4. A PRINT statement is used to help illuminate the problem when an incorrect number is used.

```
148 IF A>0AND A<5 THEN GOTO 230
149 PRINT"TRY USING A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO
130
```

Actually, while this appears to be the correct way to go about doing it, it isn't. This is just a ruse to show you an example of sloppy programming. While it checks for the right range, it doesn't evaluate for whole numbers. This means that in this version decimal values will be accepted: 2.195 or 4.9, for instance. An alternative would be

```
148 IF A=1 OR A=2 OR A=3 OR A=4 THEN GOT
O 230
```

These sequences are repeated until all the questions have been answered, except the last. Note the subtle changes in the values in lines 136-139, 236-239, and 336-339. These change since the reverse order of evaluation is needed for some of the questions.

The bonus question requires a different method of evaluation, because it is the only one that subtracts from the accumulated total.

The remainder of the program compares the total score with a base figure and then prints the appropriate evaluation.

## THE STRUCTURED VERSION

The structured version is organized differently. The organization is still fairly loose, but repeating sections have been moved to subroutines at the end of the program. In BASIC, these are called "subroutines." In truly structured programming, they are usually called "procedures." If you look in the early portions of the program you'll see a lot of GOSUBs. These route the program execution to the line specified. The program will continue along until it "sees" a RETURN, at which point it will go back to the line following the GOSUB command.

Line 31 of the structured version of the program uses a GET statement to hold the display until a character is entered. Each GET statement can be used to take as many as 10 characters from the keyboard and assign them to variables. For instance, to get the first five characters you would use a statement similar to "GET A\$, B\$, C\$, D\$, E\$." The "\$" following each letter variable means to treat the variable as a character value, rather than a numeric or integer value.

In line 31, I was only interested in using the first character, so I only assigned one variable. By comparing it with nothing (IF Z\$="") and repeating that line until another character is received, the copyright notice stays on the screen until a character is pressed.

The next line clears the screen, giving a clean slate for the first question to appear on. The sloppy version of the program doesn't have the "clear" statements to keep everything pretty. The way the sloppy version is written, there would have to be a dozen of these statements to make the program look as nice as the structured version. The structured version takes care of this using four lines—100, 5005, 10140, and 10240.

As you can see, the first two printed questions are followed by a GOSUB 10001. This prints the answer options and grabs the answer. Because we use the variable A%, the answer must be an integer value to be valid. (We could be fancy and include a trap to evaluate the answer and request an integer value only, but that would complicate matters too much.)

GOSUB 5000 analyzes the answer to make certain that it falls between one and four, and if not clears the screen and prints the invitation to pick an appropriate answer. Execution returns to the last question section, where the next line again evaluates whether the answer was valid. If the answer is invalid, the question is repeated on the newly cleared screen, right below the request for a valid answer. If the answer was okay, a GOSUB sends the program off to evaluate the latest answer and add it to the total.

The subroutine at 10050 handles the answers for questions four and five. Since all the rest of the questions have different answers, each is followed directly by its options. The results section of the structured program is no different from the sloppy version.

## TEST RESULTS

Of course, this test has not been scientifically verified or researched. I invented all the questions and an-

swers and determined how the final evaluation went, so don't put too much weight on your test results. What the program does do, though, is illustrate how you can create quizzes for your family and friends.

It is much easier to modify a structured program than a slipshod program. Here's a challenge. Choose a group of questions that have only one correct answer and three invalid ones. Write the PRINT and INPUT statements for your questions. That's the easy part! Now, rewrite the subroutine at 10100 to lock out the incorrect answers and only give points for a correct answer.

Can you imagine how difficult it would be to go through and modify the evaluation sections for each question in the unstructured version? You'd be at it for hours. With the structured version it can be done easily.

## SIMPLE AND NOT SO SIMPLE

The easiest way to redesign the structured program would be just to reassign the "T=T+?" values to 0 for the noncorrect answers and 1 for the correct answer. However, this would require six lines for each possible answer. Since each question has a possibility of four correct answers, we'd need four subroutines to cover all possible answers. After all, in a multiple choice test we don't want all the answers to be the same, right? This would mean 24 lines to cover all possibilities and one GOSUB per question to send execution to the subroutine that has the correct answer. Can you think of a way to do the same thing, but use fewer lines?

```
20100 IF A%=1 THEN T=T+1
20110 PRINT"[CLR]"
20120 RETURN
20200 IF A%=2 THEN T=T+1
20210 PRINT"[CLR]"
20220 RETURN
20300 IF A%=3 THEN T=T+1
20310 PRINT"[CLR]"
20320 RETURN
20400 IF A%=4 THEN T=T+1
20410 PRINT"[CLR]"
20420 RETURN
```

If 1 is the correct answer use GOSUB 20100, 2=20200, 3=20300, 4=20400.

Half as many lines! Not bad, huh? Actually, I showed you the difficult way first. I hope this gives you some ideas for projects of your own. If any of you would like to share some of your projects with me, I'd be delighted to take a look at them. I'm available on Viewtron (user ID 266399CCP) or through letters forwarded to me by the *Ahoy!* staff. I occasionally stop in at *Ahoy!'s Port of Call* on PlayNET as well.

Unless something more pressing comes up, I will be examining some copy products next month. If there's anything in particular you'd like to see in my column, let me know. I'm always open to suggestions. □

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# COMMODARES

## PROGRAMMING CHALLENGES

By Dale Rupert

**E**ach month, we'll present several challenges designed to stimulate your synapses and toggle the bits in your cerebral random access memory. We invite you to send your solutions to:

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### PROBLEM #26-1: APPLES ANYONE?

Ted Grondski (Springfield, MA) sent a selection of problems he has proposed to his user's group. Here's a good problem in logical deduction. Ted suggests you might need access to an Apple computer to solve it, but I'll get the Commodore computers will do as well.

Eight teenagers divided 32 apples as follows: Ann got one, Beth took two, Kate three, and Dot four. Ed Smith took as many as his sister, Fred Brown twice as many as his sister, George Black three times as many as his, and Jack Robinson four times as many as his sister. What are the full names of the girls?

### PROBLEM #26-2: WHAT'S YOUR SINE?

John Prager (Bay City, MI) sent a collection of mathematical problems. This one requests an angle in radians, and the computer responds with the sine of that angle. One catch, of course. Your program must not use any trigonometric or logarithmic functions.

### PROBLEM #26-3: DUAL VOWELS

Write the shortest program which prints every possible combination of four letters containing any two (and only

two) of the vowels a, e, i, o, or u. "Good dare" are two such combinations.

### PROBLEM #26-4: SPELLED NUMBER

Is there any number equal in value to the sum of the letters of its name, assuming that A=1, B=2, and so forth? For example, "one" equals "15 + 14 + 5" or 34, but obviously "1" does not equal "34." This one shouldn't be too difficult if you refer to the solutions to *Problem #20-2: Numeral Converter*, discussed in the December 1985 column.

We have some interesting and useful solutions to the October 1985 *Commodares*, including what just might be the world's longest listable BASIC program line. We promised in October that we would list Jim Speers' (Niles, MI) solution to his *Problem #22-1: Making Change*, so here it is.

```
1 REM  COMMODARE #22-1 :
2 REM          MAKING CHANGE
3 REM  SOLUTION BY  JIM SPEERS
4 REM
5 INPUT"ENTER AMOUNT: $";T:T%=T*100+.5
6 IF T%>100 THEN 100
7 INPUT"ENTER # OF COINS:";C:X%=T%-C%
8 IF X%<0 THEN 160
9 Y%=X%/4:D%=X%-4*Y%:Y%=Y%-2*D%:IF Y%<0
10 THEN 160
11 Q%=Y%/6:N%=Y%-6*Q%:P%=C%-Q%-D%-N%:IF
12 P%<0 THEN 160
13 Z%=Q%:Z$="QUARTER":GOSUB 170:Z%=D%:Z$
14 ="DIME":GOSUB 170
15 Z%=N%:Z$="NICKEL":GOSUB 170:Z%=P%:Z$=
16 "PENNY":GOSUB 170:END
17 PRINT"NO SOLUTION POSSIBLE":END
18 PRINT Z%;Z$;:IF Z$="PENNY" AND Z%<>1 THEN
19 PRINT"+IES":RETURN
20 IF Z%<>1 THEN PRINT"S":RETURN
21 PRINT:RETURN
```

The problem was to find a combination of a specified number of quarters, dimes, nickels, and pennies which added up to a specified amount of money. We arbitrarily limited the money amount to \$10.00. Jim did some algebra before writing his program. If you are interested in his solutions to the set of simultaneous equations, send me a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request clearly stated.

The solution from B. A. Zidovec (Kitchener, ONT) lets the computer step through all possible combinations of coins, looking for the right ones. Eventually all solutions are found, but eventually can be a long time. Perhaps you can modify this program so that the current values of coins are displayed as an indication that the computer really is thinking.

```

1 REM  COMMODARE #22-1 :
2 REM      MAKING CHANGE
3 REM  SOLUTION BY B. ZIDOVEC
4 REM
10 INPUT "AMOUNT $";A:A=A*100:INPUT"# OF
COINS";C:PRINT:PRINT" Q D N P":PRINT
20 FORQ=0TOA/25:FORD=0TOA/10:FORN=0TOA/5
:FORP=0TOA:IFQ+D+N+P<>CTHEN40
30 IF 25*Q+10*D+5*N+P=A THEN PRINTQ;D;N;
P:F=1
40 NEXT P,N,D,Q:IF F=0 THEN PRINT"NO SOL
UTION"

```

Paul T. Dawson (Waitsfield, VT) sent a very compact and speedy solution which prints all possible coin combinations.

```

100 REM  PROBLEM #22-1 : MAKING CHANGE
110 :
120 REM  PAUL T. DAWSON
130 :
140 INPUT "AMOUNT OF MONEY (CENTS)";X
150 INPUT "NUMBER OF COINS";Y
160 FOR Q = INT((X-Y)/24) TO 0 STEP -1
170 FOR D = 0 TO 100
180 N = (X-Y-(24*Q)-(9*D))/4
190 P = Y - (Q+D+N)
200 IF Q>=0 AND N>=0 AND P>=0 AND N=INT(
N) THEN PRINT "Q"Q"D"D"N"N"P"P
210 IF N > 0 THEN NEXT D
220 NEXT Q : PRINT "FINISHED"
230 P = Y - (Q+D+N)

```

Paul's program tells you when it is finished. The amount of money must be entered in cents, although you may easily modify that if desired.

*Problem #22-2: Simple Comparison* brought several types of solutions. Three representative approaches have been combined into the following program.

```

1 REM  COMMODARE #22-2 :
2 REM      SIMPLE COMPARISON
3 REM  SOLUTIONS BY
4 REM      NORM GREEN (LINES 100-130)
5 REM      FRANK SMITH (LINES 200-250)
6 REM      & DENNIS FURMAN (LINES 300-350)
7 REM
10 DATA 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10
20 DATA 10,9,8,7,6,5,4,3,2,2
30 FOR N=1 TO 10 : READ A(N) : NEXT
40 FOR N=1 TO 10 : READ B(N) : NEXT
50 CT=CT+1

```

```

60 ON CT GOSUB 100,200,300
70 IF CT<3 THEN 50
80 END
99 REM=====
100 FOR N=1 TO 10:XA=XA+A(N):YA=YA*A(N)
110 XB=XB+B(N) : YB=YB*B(N) : NEXT
120 IF XA=XB AND YA=YB THEN PRINT : PRIN
T"MATCH" : RETURN
130 PRINT"NOT A MATCH" : RETURN
199 REM=====
200 FOR C=1 TO 10:FOR D=C TO 10:IFA(C)<>
B(D) THEN 220
210 H=B(C):B(C)=B(D):B(D)=H:GOTO 240
220 NEXT D
230 PRINT"THE TWO SETS ARE NOT THE SAME"
:RETURN
240 NEXT C
250 PRINT"THE TWO SETS CONTAIN THE SAME
NUMBERS":RETURN
299 REM=====
300 FOR I=1 TO 10:FORJ=10 TO I+1 STEP-1
310 IF A(J)>A(J-1)THENC=A(J-1):A(J-1)=A(
J):A(J)=C
320 IF B(J)>B(J-1)THEND=B(J-1):B(J-1)=B(
J):B(J)=D
330 NEXT J
340 IFA(I)<>B(I)THEN PRINT"NOT EQUAL":RE
TURN
350 NEXT I : PRINT"EQUAL":RETURN

```

The problem was to compare two sets of ten numbers in DATA statements to determine if the sets contained the same numbers or not. Norm Green (Perth, ONT) took an interesting approach. He calculated the sums and products of the two sets of numbers and compared those results. His program, as submitted, performed the calculations as the values were being read without having to store them in numeric arrays. Unfortunately, John's solution will not work if either list contains one particular number. Can you figure out what it is? (It is really nothing at all.)

It is also possible (but not likely) that two differing sets of numbers might have the same sum and product, isn't it? (There's another challenge for you mathematically oriented readers.) If the lists do not contain zero, and if they contain small enough numbers so that an accurate product can be determined, John's method is a quick and efficient approach.

Jim Speers also checked the sums of the numbers, but simply as a preliminary checksum. If their sums differ, Jim knows right away that the sets don't match. If their sums agree, then Jim's program performed a sort and comparison.

Frank T. Smith (Wilmington, DE), in part two of the program above, took each number in the first set and looked for a match in the second set. If a match is found, his program switches numbers in the second set to protect the matched numbers from any further comparisons. Several readers overlooked the important point of elimi-



nating any matched values from further checking. For example, the sets 1,1,2 and 1,2,2 will match unless the used values are somehow "crossed out." James Borden (Carlisle, PA) replaced the matched values with IE38. Paul Dawson converted the numbers to strings and replaced matches with the null string "".

One other approach is exemplified by the third part of the program above from Dennis Furman (Edwards, CA). Dennis' program sorts the two sets of numbers from high to low. It compares values after each pass through the bubble sort, and it exits when the first inequality is reached or when the ten numbers are equal. You can compare the speeds of the three programs for yourself by adding timing statements such as these:

```
45 TI$="TTTTTT"
65 PRINT TI-TM "JIFFIES FOR PART" CT : T
M=TI
```

Other readers had solutions similar to the examples listed above.

*Problem #22-3: Measured Decimals* brought quite a few solutions. The program from Matt Shapiro (Fort Lee, NJ) listed below is representative of many of the responses:

```
1 REM  COMMODARE #22-3 :
2 REM      MEASURED DECIMALS
3 REM  SOLUTION BY MATT SHAPIRO
4 REM
10 INPUT"HOW MANY INCHES (DECIMAL)";D
20 W=INT(D):N=INT(64*(D-W)+.5):D=64:IF N
=64 THEN PRINT W+1 : END
30 N2=N/2:IF N2=INT(N2) THEN N=N2:D=D/2:
GOTO 30
40 PRINT W;"AND";STR$(N);"/";MID$(STR$(D
),2):END
```

The user enters a number of inches in decimal form, and the program responds with a whole number and a fractional number of inches rounded to the nearest sixty-fourth of an inch. Line 20 of Matt's program converts the decimal fraction to a proper fraction. Line 30 reduces the fraction to its lowest terms by repeatedly dividing the numerator by two, since two is the only prime factor of the 64 in the denominator. Notice how Matt eliminated the leading and trailing spaces normally associated with printed numerical values. The secret is to convert the numbers to strings first as he did in line 40.

Several readers sent general base conversion programs in response to *Problem #22-4: Ternary Turnabout*. The problem was simply to convert a base-ten number into its ternary (base-three) equivalent. The solution below from David Hoffner (Brooklyn, NY) is about the most compact one we received.

```
1 REM  COMMODARE #22-4 :
2 REM      TERNARY TURNABOUT
3 REM  SOLUTION BY DAVID HOFFNER
4 REM
```

```
5 B=3 : F=B+1
10 INPUT"DECIMAL";D
20 C=INT(D/B):E=INT(F*(D/B-C)):A$=RIGHT$(
STR$(E),1)+A$:IF C THEN D=C:GOTO 20
30 PRINT"BASE"B": "A$
```

As David pointed out, this program is easily modified to convert numbers from base ten to any base from two through nine. Simply change the value of B in line 5. It is also possible to convert to bases from 11 to 99 by changing the "1" in line 20 to "2". If B is 16, the conversion will give a hexadecimal value. Digits greater than 9 will be displayed as two digit numbers rather than as the letters A through F, but the results are easy to interpret.

Congratulations and thanks to the following readers who have not been mentioned earlier for their solutions to *Commodares*: George Churinsky (Denver, CO), Eric Biberhofer (Dundas, ONT), Wallace Leeker (Lemay, MO), Paul D. Hanus (Akron, OH), Joseph T. Sacco (North Bergen, NJ), Tom Hall (Madison Heights, MI), Thomsen Fung (San Diego, CA), Charles Grady (Cleveland, TN), Peter Troy (Casco, ME), Maurice Tift (Albany, GA), Richard B. Snyder (Chelmsford, MA), John Fraleigh (Wappingers, NY), and Lorne P. Korczak (Hamilton, ONT).

We all know that the longest program line that can be typed is 80 characters. Since BASIC tokenizes keywords

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and provides shorthand entry of keywords, it is possible to create program lines which, when LISTed, are much longer than 80 characters. Their only disadvantage (besides unreadability) is that they can't be edited. Jim Speers suggested typing a line number followed by as many "?" as possible. When such a line is listed, of course, you get a few dozen PRINT statements, separated by colons. In fact, such a line expands to a grand total of 241 characters, including the line number.

But you haven't seen anything yet. Donald H. Graham (Baltimore, MD) suggested ignoring the colons and simply typing 79 question marks after the line number. When you list this line, you will see a syntactically error-ridden string which totals 397 characters. Taking us even further is the suggestion from Lorne P. Korczak (Hamilton, ONT) to type a line number followed by REM and 76 shift-x characters. The shift-x's expand to the longest BASIC keyword, RESTORE. Now we're up to a grand total of 537 characters in a single program line.

Not to be outdone, Donald Graham comes back with the following statements which must be typed in direct mode (without line numbers):

```
1 REM
2 REM LONGEST LISTABLE LINE
3 REM BY DONALD H. GRAHAM
4 REM
```

```
5 REM THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS MUST
6 REM BE ENTERED IN DIRECT MODE!!
7 REM
10 REM POKE46,10 : CLR <RETURN>
20 REM POKE2050,9:POKE2051,0:POKE2052,0
<RETURN>
30 REM FORI=2053TO2302:POKEI,140:NEXT:PO
KE2303,0:POKE2304,0:POKE2305,0<RETURN>
```

The result of your effort is a LISTable BASIC line containing 1752 characters. Donald agrees it is not worth much to BASIC, but perhaps you can figure out a use for such a line. Donald says that he will be glad to explain what's going on here if you write to him at 125 Cedar Hill Road, Baltimore, MD 21225.

Well, we can't quit these shenanigans without a final word from James Borden (Carlisle, PA). James says to load up your machine language monitor program and try this. Beginning at memory location 0800 (use 1C00 for the Commodore 128), enter 00 05 09 (use 1D instead of 09 for the C-128) 00 F0, and then enter 8C's up to address 0904 (1D04 for the C-128). Finish up with at least three values of 00. This gives a BASIC program line containing 1770 characters, according to James. No doubt the people at Guinness have already contacted James about this! Until next month, keep those keyboards humming. □

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# ALIGNING THE 1541 DISK DRIVE

Including *1541 Alignment Check* for the C-64 and 1541

By Greg Granville

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**T**he 1541 is a very powerful disk drive for the price. Consider its unique disk formatting system which allows more data to be squeezed onto the disk by placing more sectors on the outer tracks. How about the fact that the Disk Operating System (DOS) is on a ROM chip, ready to obey our commands from the minute we turn the power on? And don't forget that our drive can support relative file structures, something that many other, more expensive drives can't do.

Despite all of the 1541's advanced features, it has at least one serious flaw (most things do): a tendency to go out of alignment far too often. The symptoms of misalignment usually include some combination of the following:

- 1) The red light blinks quickly a few times during a program load.
- 2) The drive head bumps against the track 1 stop several times and the load fails to complete. After the drive stops, the red light continues to blink, indicating an error condition.
- 3) The drive mechanism "clicks" repeatedly when a program load causes the drive to try to read track #1 and the track #1 stopper is improperly set.

If your drive is still under warranty when these symptoms occur, you can usually return it to your dealer for a new one. If your drive is out of warranty, you often do not have any alternative but to box up your 1541 and take it to an authorized service center for repair (get out your checkbook)!

The program that accompanies this article (see page 114) will enable you to accurately determine the alignment status of the drive yourself. You can also use it as a guide in re-aligning the drive, if you have the inclination to try the job on your own. Before proceeding, you may want to refer to Morton Kavelson's review of CSM Software's *1541 Disk Drive Alignment Program* (January '86 *AHOY!*, page 84), wherein he provides an explanation of the causes and symptoms of 1541 disk drive misalignment.

## THE PROGRAM

Type in the *1541 Alignment Check* program and test it out on a formatted disk. I recommend that you use an expendable disk in case you have made a typing error while entering the program. If the program is working properly, the drive motor will run as soon as the program is run. The only way to stop the drive motor and exit the program is to press 'X' on the keyboard. You should be able to move the drive head  $\frac{1}{2}$  step at a time by moving the joystick (port 2) to the left and right. Pressing and holding the fire button should cause the red light on the drive to flash at about one-second intervals. Hold down 'T' on the keyboard and the head should initialize back to track 18.

Now that we know that the program is working properly, we can use it to check out the alignment. You now need a disk that was formatted on a drive that is in proper alignment. I recommend using a factory formatted disk, such as the Test/Demo disk that came with your disk drive. Insert that disk into the drive and run the *1541 Alignment Check* program. Move the head (with the joystick) to track 17.5 (or any other  $\frac{1}{2}$  track).

After moving the head to track 17.5, press and hold the fire button (or depress the SHIFT/LOCK key) for about 10 to 15 seconds. If your drive is in close alignment you will get the message 'ALIGNMENT OK' several times during the check. Take note of the track number read from the disk. If you get track numbers both  $\frac{1}{2}$  step above *and* below the track the head is actually on, along with some 'ALIGNMENT OK' messages, your drive is in almost perfect alignment. A good example would be reading alternating 17's and 18's when the actual head position is 17.5. This means that your head is exactly halfway between tracks, which is right where it should be!

You can move the head around to other areas of the disk now and try reading the drive status if you like. When checking the status on full tracks, the only message you will get will be 'ALIGNMENT UNCERTAIN' unless the

alignment is way off. If a full track simply can't be read, or if the track number read from disk and the actual head position do not match, an 'ALIGNMENT BAD' message will be displayed. If the track numbers are not in sync, your alignment is off by at least one whole track.

Keep in mind that you will normally be using the half tracks to do the fine checks on the alignment. If you can get the 'ALIGNMENT OK' message to come up within 10 to 15 seconds on a half track, the alignment is usually close enough. You can perform this check on any half track from 1.5 to 34.5 in order to get the 'ALIGNMENT OK' message.

If you discover that your fears are confirmed and your drive really is out of alignment, then you have one of two choices. First, you could be content with the knowledge that you have just gained and leave the job to someone else. Or, you can be brave and attempt the job yourself. I am assuming that your drive is out of warranty; otherwise you would be more foolish than brave to tear it apart.

## REALIGNING THE DRIVE

Turn the drive upside down and remove the four Phillips head screws that hold the case together. Set the drive right side up again, remove the top cover, and set it aside. Locate the two screws that hold the metal shield in place over the main circuit board. Remove these screws and lift the metal shield from the circuit board. Some older drives have a wire running through a hole in the shield, so make sure that you unplug it from the circuit board before pulling the shield off.

You now want to locate and remove six Phillips screws that hold the bottom plastic case to the main steel chassis of the drive. There are three of them down along each side of the drive chassis. You will have to unhook the wire that goes to the red L.E.D. light on the bottom plastic case. Unplug this wire from the main circuit board and leave it off until you are ready to put everything back together again.

Before we remove any more wires, you might want to

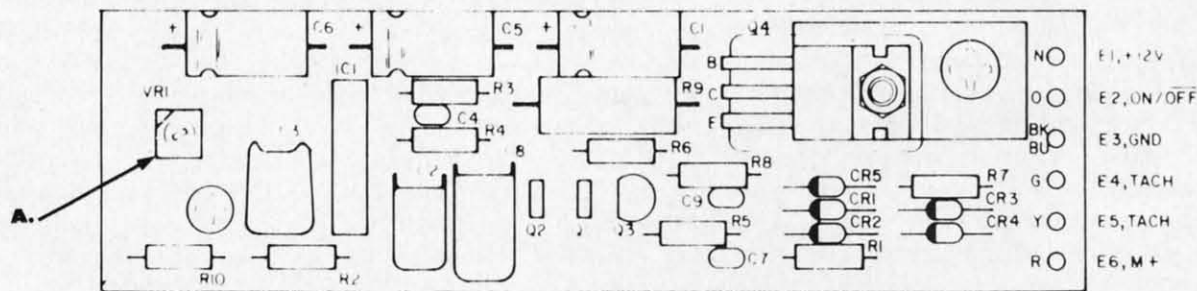
get a notepad so that you can write down where the wires plug into. You will feel more secure when you are putting the wires back on if you draw yourself a little diagram.

Now you can go ahead and unplug the rest of the wires from the circuit board. After the wires are removed, take out the screws that hold the circuit board to the chassis frame. Please note that there are two screws on the right rear of the drive chassis that go in from the side. Now that you finally have everything loose, you can carefully remove the main circuit board.

Exposed to your eyes now are the mechanical innards of the drive. As you face the unit from the front you will see the black head assembly in the center area. Note that the head assembly rides on two shiny metal rails. You can gently slide the head back and forth on these rails if you like.

If you have some Vaseline or a light silicone grease, putting a very small quantity of it on each of the rails will make the drive run quieter while it is stepping the head. Be sure that you don't get the grease on anything else except the guide rails. It is also a good idea to slide the head back and forth after greasing the rails to work it in a bit.

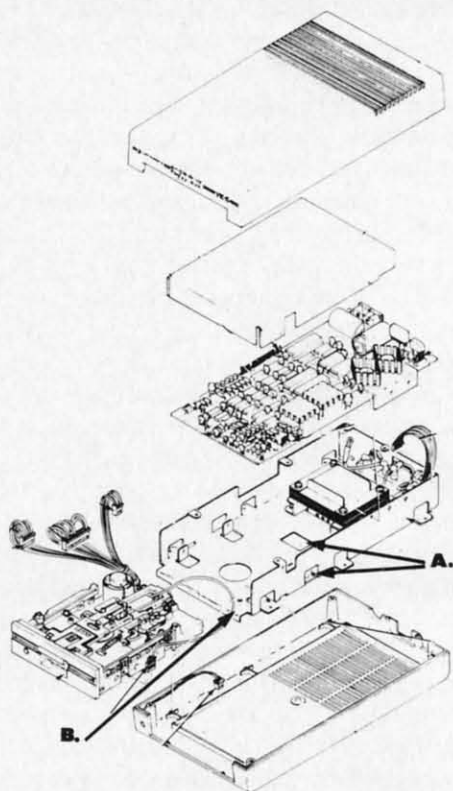
Slightly to the right of the head assembly you will see two pulleys and a thin steel band connected between them. Note also that the head assembly is connected to this band. When the pulleys turn, the band moves, and the head assembly also moves. The pulley in the front is only there to keep the band stretched tight. Note that it has a spring connected to it, so that constant tension is being applied. The pulley that you see in the rear is the stepper motor pulley itself! You want to be certain that this pulley is tightly pressed onto its shaft. Take your Phillips screwdriver (or any blunt-ended tool) and place it on the top surface of the pulley (not the shaft). Now hit the top of the screwdriver with your hand to firmly seat the pulley into place. If you saw the pulley move downward even the smallest bit, then it was loose. Just for good measure, carefully hit it again on the opposite side to make sure that it is squarely in place.



### DRIVE SERVO CIRCUIT

#### A. Drive speed adjustment

Drive servo circuit is located under drive mechanism in 1541's equipped with ALPS drive units. It is located above mechanism on 1541's using the Nortronics drive mechanism. The Nortronics drives have a twist latch lever on the disk drive door.



### 1541 DISASSEMBLY/REASSEMBLY

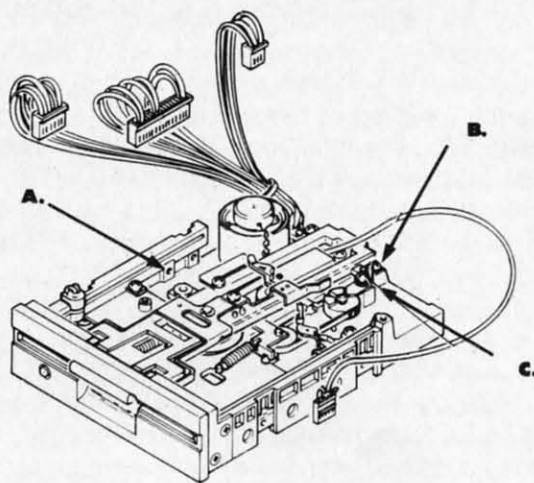
- A. access holes to stepper motor locking screws
- B. access hole for drive speed adjustment

Once you have the stepper pulley tightly pressed onto the shaft, you might want to apply some five-minute epoxy to the top of the pulley and shaft to prevent any possible slippage from occurring in the future. Put the epoxy in the small gap between the two protrusions on the top of the pulley that is opposite the track one stop-

### CAUTION!

Readers should be aware of the possible hazards that exist when working inside sensitive electronic equipment. If you do decide to follow the procedures described here you are doing so at your own risk.

Power line voltage (120 volts) is present in the 1541 disk drive. This can present a hazard to both personnel and equipment. Contact of the drive circuit board with the metallic chassis at any point other than the designated mounting points may damage the drive electronics. The same is true for metallic tools that contact the exposed circuit board or its connector.

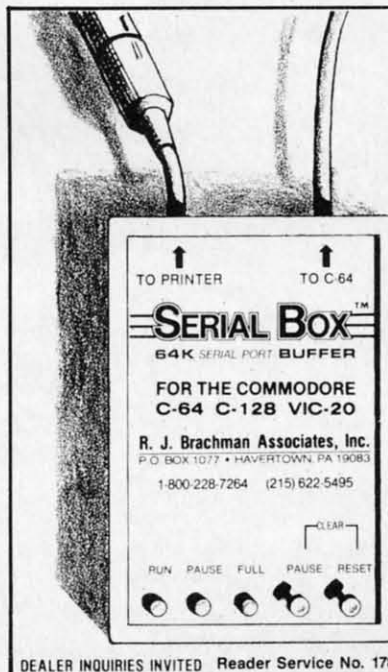


### TRACK #1 STOP ADJUSTMENT

- A. Drive servo circuit located here on Nortronics drives.
- B. Track #1 stop
- C. Lock down screw

per. Make sure that some of this epoxy runs up onto the top surface of the shaft itself, so that the bond will interconnect the pulley and the shaft. Be certain that none of it gets in the wide gap area where the track one stopper protrudes. Keep an eye on the epoxy as it cures to make sure that none of it seeps into this area. If it does, remove it before the epoxy dries completely.

With all our preventive maintenance out of the way, we can now go ahead and adjust the alignment. Mount the circuit board back onto the drive chassis and reconnect all the wires you removed. (Don't worry about the wire that goes to the red L.E.D. on the bottom case; you can leave it off for now.) Set the drive on its right side so that you can get at the bottom of it. Locate the two



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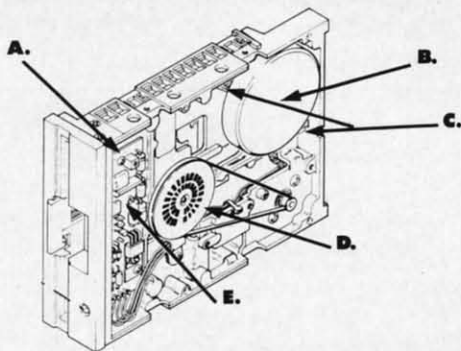
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openings about halfway back on the metal chassis that each have a Phillips head screw visible through them. These screws hold the stepper motor in position.

Power up your system and load the *1541 Alignment Program* so that we will have it ready. Now go ahead and loosen the two stepper motor screws. The screw holes are slotted so as to allow about  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch of movement of the entire stepper motor. Once it is free for adjustment, run the program with the Test/Demo disk inserted. Move the head to a full track (try 17) and press the fire button (or shift lock) to read the actual head position. You can now turn the stepper motor through the holes with your fingers. You want to get the position read from disk to say track 17, with no read errors indicated. Once you have that, move the head to track 17.5 and press down the SHIFT/LOCK button so that both your hands are free. This is the fine adjustment, so you may have to move the motor only a very small amount at a time. With the actual head position of 17.5 try to get the position read from the disk to be on the edge of jumping back and forth from 17 and 18. When you are close to being exactly on the half track, you will probably get a lot of "Read Error Sensed" and "Alignment OK" messages. If you can't get the track read from the disk to jump back and forth from 17 to 18 while reading the drive status, then try to get as many read errors as possible along with an occasional track read of the lower number (track 17). Many drives will show almost nothing but "Alignment OK" messages when they are exactly on the half track, since there is nothing on the half track for them to pick up. Different areas of the disk may not give exactly the same results on the half tracks, but as long as you are getting some "Alignment OK" and "Read Error Sensed" messages, you are OK.



#### DRIVE UNIT, PARTS LAYOUT (BOTTOM)

- A. Speed adjustment (VRI)
- B. Stepper motor
- C. Locking screws
- D. Strobe markings for speed adjustment
- E. Drive motor servo circuit (located on top of Nortronics drive mechanism)

Once you think that you have it as close as you can get it, tighten down the screws on the stepper motor and run the check again. Do this to be sure that you did not bump anything while you were tightening the screws. If

everything still looks good, turn the drive off and let's verify everything from a cold start just to be sure. Turn the drive back on and run the program again. Move the head to track 17 and press the button. If the track read from the disk is 17 everything is fine; if not, you must loosen the screws and make the adjustments again.

We're almost done now, but we still have a few little things that we should check out. We must make sure that the track one stopper is set so that it is just barely touching when the head is on track one. Move the actual head position to track one with the program. Stop the program by pressing 'X' and remove the main circuit board again. Examine the gap between the stopper and the protrusion on the stepper pulley. If you can see a gap here, then loosen the one Phillips screw that goes through it and move the stopper closer. Move it just enough to eliminate the gap at this point. If you move it too far and push on the pulley itself, it will be too tight. If you heard a thud when you were moving the head to track 1, you may have to open up a very small gap between the stopper and the pulley. (Ed. note: We found that a gap of .006 inch works well with the 1541 drive.) After you adjust the stopper, reconnect the circuit board. Run the program, and move the head position back to track one. Listen for the thud noise just as the indicator says track one. Turn off the power and remove the board again. Recheck the gap to see if you have the "just touching" condition. If you have to, go ahead and repeat the above procedure again until you get it just right.

If you are *very* careful that the circuit board does not touch the chassis, you can avoid having to remove it each time you want to check your adjustment. Just leave the wires connected and move the board off to the side so that you can get to the stopper adjustment. Placing a piece of thin cardboard between the board and the chassis will help in preventing an accident.

You may still hear a faint thud when the adjustment is correct. Just make sure that the drive can read track one. Press the fire button to see if you can read it with no errors.

Take a minute to examine the strobe pattern that is visible through the large hole in the bottom of the drive. Under a fluorescent light, the outer pattern should appear to stand still or drift very slowly while the drive is running. If it does not, the speed of the drive motor is improper. It can be adjusted with a small screwdriver through a small hole that is toward the front left side of the drive bottom. (This adjustment is made on top of the drive in 1541's equipped with Nortronics mechanisms.) Problems in the motor speed servo circuit seem to be quite rare.

The job is now completed! Put the rest of the screws back in and put the shield and case back on. Remember to hook up the wire to the front red L.E.D. again. Your reward is a drive that runs both smoother and quieter and, best of all, you have just saved yourself a pile of money. Congratulations on a job well done! □

SEE PROGRAM LISTING ON PAGE 114

# TIPS AH-OY!

Compiled by Michael R. Davila

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## PARALYZED CURSOR

It's often undesirable to have the person using your program able to move the cursor around the screen when an INPUT statement is used. There are a number of ways to deter this; here are two examples.

The simplest way is to POKE 198,1:POKE 631,34 before each INPUT. The first POKE tells the program that a key has been pressed, and the second puts a quotation mark in the keyboard buffer. This forces the computer into quote mode, and the cursor keys will appear as reverse graphics characters. You're not really disabling the keys, just preventing them from moving the cursor around the screen.

Another method is to use a short machine language program that completely disables the cursor, both inside and outside the program. Try the one below.

```
10 FOR A=710 TO 758:READ B:POKE A,B:NEXT
20 DATA 169,229,141,143,2,169
30 DATA 2,141,144,2,173,246
40 DATA 2,73,1,141,246,2
50 DATA 208,10,169,72,141,143
60 DATA 2,169,235,141,144,2
70 DATA 96,165,203,201,7,240
80 DATA 4,201,2,208,4,169
90 DATA 64,133,203,76,72,235,0
```

SYS 710 turns off the cursor keys if they're on, and it also turns them back on if they're disabled. It's quite effective, and you don't have to worry about properly formatting POKE statements to do the job. With this method you avoid the reverse characters, which is both convenient and effective.

—Kevin Brown  
Anderson, IN

## DEFUNCTIONED FUNCTION KEYS

Commodore 64 BASIC programs may be loaded and saved in 128 mode, but may not include BASIC 7.0 commands. The following routine restores the 128's function keys to their state when in 64 mode. Also, this is done without implementing the KEY command. The routine must be executed in 128 mode.

—Ed Horgan  
Coatesville, PA

```
1000 A$="133137134138135139136140"
1010 J=1:FOR I=4106TO4113
1020 POKE I,VAL(MID$(A$,J,3)):J=J+3
1030 POKE I-10,1:NEXT I:A$=""
```

## INSTANT DISK ERROR READ

The next time your disk drive light starts beating at 100+ BPM (Blinks Per Minute), simply press CTRL and D. This will instantly display what your drive's trying to communicate to you.

```
10 REM DISK STATUS
20 REM BY SHAWN K SMITH
30 R$=CHR$(18):PRINT,R$"DISK STATUS"
100 DATA 234,120,169,075,162,003,141,020
110 DATA 003,142,021,003,088,096,173,141
120 DATA 002,201,004,208,006,032,091,003
130 DATA 032,062,003,076,049,234,169,088
140 DATA 162,003,120,141,020,003,142,021
150 DATA 003,088,165,203,201,018,240,001
160 DATA 096,169,008,032,180,255,169,111
170 DATA 133,185,032,150,255,169,000,133
180 DATA 144,032,165,255,032,210,255,165
190 DATA 144,240,246,076,171,255
195 :
200 FOR M =829 TO M + 77:READ Y:POKE M,Y
210 T=T+Y:NEXT:T=T-8849
220 IFTTHENPRINTR$"***DATA ERROR**":STOP
230 POKE857,PEEK(788):POKE858,PEEK(789)
240 SYS830
250 PRINT:PRINTR$"CNTRL-D DISPLAYS STATU
S..."
260 PRINT:PRINTR$"RUN/STOP-RESTORE DEACT
IVATES"
270 PRINT:PRINTR$"SYS(830) WILL REACTIVA
TE"
```

The utility wedges into the IRQ interrupt and can be disabled with RUN/STOP-RESTORE. A SYS to the starting address (830) will reinstate the wedge.

Since this utility wedges into the "Hardware Interrupt," it will perform in direct or program mode.

—Shawn K. Smith  
Bronx, NY

## DIRECTORY HIGHLIGHTER

Here is a handy disk utility that allows you to highlight any program name in the directory. This is useful in making certain programs stand out, such as program boots. The highlighting is achieved by renaming the file with four special characters preceding it. The four characters are shifted space, two delete characters, and a reverse character. This leaves enough space for only twelve



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characters for the rest of the filename. The routine below will first ask you whether you want to highlight or de-highlight and then ask for the filename. To end the program reply to the highlight/de-highlight prompt with any key other than 'H' or 'D'.

```

5 OPEN 15,8,15:GOSUB 1000
10 SS$=CHR$(160):DL$=CHR$(20):RV$=CHR$(18)
20 HD$=SS$ + DL$ + DL$ + RV$
30 PRINT"[CLEAR][RVSON]H[RVSOFF]IGHLIGHT
OR [RVSON]D[RVSOFF]E-HIGHLIGHT PROGRAM"
40 GET KY$:IF KY$=""THEN40
50 IF KY$="H" THEN 100
60 IF KY$="D" THEN 200
70 END:REM END PROGRAM IF NOT 'H' OR 'D'
100 INPUT "PROGRAM NAME TO HIGHLIGHT";HP$
110 PRINT#15,"R0:" + HD$ + HP$ + "=" + H
P$:GOSUB 1000
120 GOTO 30
200 INPUT "PROGRAM NAME TO DE-HIGHLIGHT"
;DP$
210 PRINT#15,"R0:" + DP$ + "=" + HD$ + D
P$:GOSUB 1000
220 GOTO 30
1000 INPUT#15,E,E$,T,S
1010 IF E=0 THEN RETURN
1020 PRINT E,E$
1030 END

```

Note: To load a highlighted filename in either program or immediate mode you can use LOAD“(shifted space)??? filename”,8,1

—Dino Bavaro  
Don Mills, ONT

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I use the program names “CURRENT”, “OLD”, and “OLDEST”; you can, of course, substitute names of your own choice.

To SAVE the current version of the program (and erase the very oldest), just type GOTO 3. —Bruce Jaeger

St. Paul, MN

### Commodore 128 Version

```

1 GOTO 10
3 SCRATCH "OLDEST":RENAME "OLD" TO "OLDE
ST" : RENAME "CURRENT" TO "OLD" : DSAVE"
CURRENT" : END
10 REM YOUR PROGRAM BEGINS HERE

```

### Commodore 64 Version

```

1 GOTO 10
3 CLOSE15:OPEN15,8,15,"S0:OLDEST":PRINT#

```



```

15,"R":OLDEST="":OLD"
4 PRINT5,"R":OLD="":CURRENT":SAVE"CURRENT"
",8:CLOSE15:END
10 REM YOUR PROGRAM BEGINS HERE

```

### FORGOT THE SYS?

Remembering the SYS numbers for all your machine language programs can be quite tedious and annoying. Here is an easy way to find the starting address of a machine language program if you are using a disk drive.

```

10 OPEN 2,8,2,"FILENAME"
20 GET#2,A$,B$:Z$=CHR$(0):CLOSE2
30 PRINT ASC(A$+Z$)+256*ASC(B$+Z$)

```

If you wish to find the ending address, type LOAD "FILENAME",8,1 and then after the program has finished loading type PRINT PEEK(45)+256\*PEEK(46) and hit RETURN.

—Wesley Vriend  
Houston, BC

### COLOR PROTECTOR

Many programmers have individual preferences for certain background, border, and text colors and use them when programming. Unfortunately, whenever RUN/STOP-RESTORE is pressed, the computer resets these colors to the blue default colors. Also, RUN/STOP-RESTORE will disable some ML programs such as the DOS wedge. In order to reenoble the program, the appropriate SYS must be entered. Resetting screen colors and reenabling programs becomes very tiresome!

The short routine below (for the C-64) will solve these problems. From now on, RUN it before each programming session. Whenever you hit RUN/STOP-RESTORE (or simply RESTORE), the screen colors will be set to the custom that you selected by placing them in the routine. These POKES, as you can examine in lines 30 to 60, can be POKED with a different value at any time; after POKING the locations, type SYS 32785 so that the routine will recognize the new values.

Each time you LOAD a new ML program type SYS 32785. Otherwise, the program will be disabled by pressing RESTORE. The routine will also allow you to recover from many more keyboard "lockups" by pressing RESTORE. A note to tape users: you must type SYS 8 to deactivate any ML programs that are enabled for a tape save to work.

—Kevin Brown  
Anderson, IN

```

10 POKE 56,128: CLR: FOR K=32768 TO 3287
6: READ M: C=C+M: POKE K,M: NEXT
20 IF C <> 13765 THEN PRINT"ERROR IN DAT
A STATEMENTS":END
30 POKE 1020,03: REM- BORDER COLOR --CHA
NGE
40 POKE 1021,00: REM- SCREEN COLOR --VAL
UES
50 POKE 1022,01: REM- CURSOR COLOR --IF

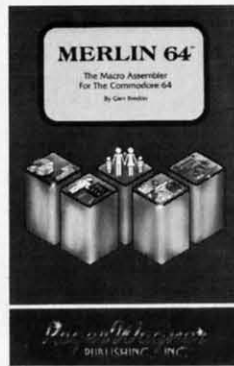
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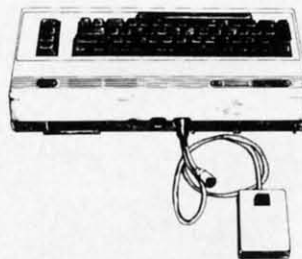
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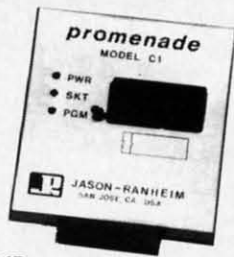


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60 POKE 1023,01: REM- CHARACTER COLOR -- WISH

70 SYS 32785:PRINT"[CLR][9 DOWN]HIT REST ORE TO ACTIVATE"

80 PRINT"[DOWN]TYPE SYS 32785 TO READ VA LUES AFTER CHANGING THEM"

90 DATA 11,128,11,128,195,194,205,56,48, 161,128,32,17,128,76,29,128,160

100 DATA 204,185,52,2,153,128,128,200,20 8,247,96,169,0,141,252,3,169,11

110 DATA 141,253,3,169,1,141,254,3,141,2 55,3,169,58,141,0,128,141,2,128

120 DATA 108,20,3,32,129,255,32,138,255, 160,204,185,128,128,153,52,2,200

130 DATA 208,247,173,255,3,141,33,208,17 3,252,3,141,32,208,173,254,3,141

140 DATA 134,2,169,147,32,210,255,173,25 3,3,141,33,208,162,255,76,139,227

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100 PRINT"[CLEAR]\$"

110 FORL=0TO5:READA:POKE631+L,A:NEXT

120 POKE198,L:END

130 DATA19,13,19,17,17,17

This works by using the dynamic keyboard method of fooling the computer into thinking *you're* typing all those keys. The DATA statement on line 130 holds the ASCII values of HOME, RETURN, HOME, DOWN, DOWN, DOWN in that order.

This will also function with the DOS Wedge in place instead of *Fast Load*.

—David Paulsen  
Renton, WA

### TESTING FOR 64 OR 128 MODE

When programming the 128 for compatibility with the 64, the variables DS and DS\$ cannot be used. These are reserved on the 128 to indicate disk status. A line like 100 DS\$="DO SOMETHING" will produce a SYNTAX ERROR when executed in 128 mode.

We can use DS\$ to our advantage, however, to test for operating mode. Line 10 sets M to 64 unless DS\$ is other than null. If it is, M is set to 128. M can then be used as a flag to call subroutines appropriate to the 64 or 128.

—Ed Horgan  
Coatesville, PA

10 M=64:IFDS\$<>""THENM=128

20 PRINT"SYSTEM IS IN"M" MODE"

# ERRATA

## AHOY! DOCK

Readers reported a STRING TOO LONG ERROR. To repair, change line 0 to read

```
0 PRINT "[CLEAR]": P$=CHR$(13)
```

Also, NEXT WITHOUT FOR and OUT OF MEMORY errors will emerge if you try to delete an item from the file. To correct this retype lines 7190 and 7200 to

```
7190 PRINTTAB(4);"ONE MOMENT DELETING RECORD #";I:I=C: NEXT:FOR I= 1 TO C
7200 IF SU$(I)="DELETE" THEN C=C-1: GOTO 7220
```

## SOLITAIRE

Due to the background color being the same as the text color, the command "TURN DECK OVER" was not visible during play. To remedy this you may change the POKE value in line 25 from POKE 53281,1 to POKE 53281,12 or any other color that you prefer.



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# ARENA

## For the C-64

### By Bob Tedesco

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The game takes place in an "arena" represented by a square section of the screen. The arena is composed of interlocking shapes making up a grid. The player controls his 'spinner,' a whirling propellerlike object, pitted against computer-controlled opponents which move about as brightly colored geometric shapes and whose speed more than makes up for the somewhat

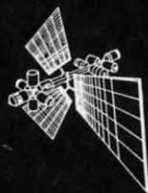
predictable pattern of movement.

Moving the joystick up, down, left, or right will move the spinner accordingly. Pressing the joystick button while moving the joystick will enable the spinner to fire and destroy each opponent. When all opponents are destroyed, play will proceed to the next level. Points are awarded on a level-by-level basis: one point is awarded for each opponent destroyed on Level One, two points on Level Two, three on Level Three, etc.

After the game ends a new game can be started by pressing the joystick button. Typing fl instead will bring back the opening screen so that players may change game speed (and clear the high score in the process). Pressing 'Q' will exit *Arena* and reset the computer (if exited any other way, BASIC will not function properly).

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# FLOTSAM

While we didn't ask frequent *Ahoy!* contributor Shay Addams to write the letter printed herewith, we did think his views on adventure gaming and Arnie Katz's spirited rebuttal of same would make worthwhile reading for the game fans in our audience.

You don't have to be a computer press luminary to air your views in *Flotsam*. Send your comments on any aspect of Commodore computing to *Flotsam*, c/o *Ahoy!* Magazine, Ion International Inc., 45 West 34th Street—Suite 407, New York, NY 10001.

In your November issue's "Call to Adventure," the writer seriously misinformed your readers.

First, his "history" of adventure games says they were inspired by "Dungeons and Dragons"—a popular but false legend that is often repeated by lazy writers who don't bother to research their subject. Last year I interviewed William Crowther and Don Woods, who created the first such game, *Adventure*, and both said they never played D&D until *after* their computer game was finished. So how could it have influenced them at all? (And why, in a history of adventure, were their names not even mentioned?) Also, he says Scott Adams converted *Adventure* to micro format—when Adams actually wrote an original game, *Adventureland*, that he says was inspired by the former.

An even more serious mistake was made when the writer attempted to categorize adventures from his own point of view, calling games with pictures "illustrated adventures" and *Ultima*-style games "graphic adventures." This is absurd: games with pictures are graphic adventures; those focusing on combat, magic, and character development (like *Ultima*) are fantasy role-playing games. Of course, role-playing games are considered a type of adventure, with a big difference—a difference that lies not in the visual effects, but in the nature of the playing experience.

The definition of fantasy role-playing games is best summed up in the foreword of all Penguin Software RPGs: "...a game in which the player assumes the identity of a character within the fantasy world of the game

itself. Such a character is usually formed by assigning random values to special characteristics such as Strength, Wisdom, Intelligence, Luck, or Charisma. These characteristics in turn determine the capability of the character in combat, negotiation and encounters with other beings." It goes on to explain that a game's goal can usually "only be reached by nurturing a character until it is of sufficient power to overcome the most assuredly dreadful guardians blocking the path."

In a pure adventure, the player's experience consists of solving logical puzzles, not developing a character whose life hinges on the number of hit points he has in store. Certainly, you may play the role of a character in some adventures (Mac Steele in *The Serpent's Star*), but in most you enter an alternative setting (*Zork*, *Treasure Island*)—therefore, the role-playing aspect of adventure is an attribute of certain games, not of the genre itself.

These are not my opinions on the matter, but facts easily confirmed by talking with Mike Berlyn (*Suspended*), Dave Albert (*Xyphus*), or Penguin President Mark Pelczarski or anyone else in the business.

*This*, however, is an opinion: after reading those sketchy capsules, I can't believe the writer actually played all the games he described. How else could he have wasted space on such dogs like Screenplay's *Dunzhin* series and the primitive *Ali Baba* (a classic years ago but now obsolete and a waste of money and time)?

Apparently, this guy's research consists of reading the press release

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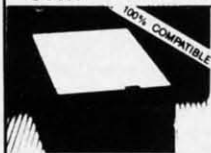
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or back of the box, not playing the game. Perhaps Mr. Katz will do a better job when mapping the maze in more familiar territory—Ms. Pac-Man.

—Shay Addams  
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Arnie Katz replies:

Shay Addams' letter contains a lot more heat than light. Stripped of its nose-in-the-air snideness and implications that only Shay Addams knows about adventure games, it offers few hard facts. Worse, it makes the implicit assumption that if two people hold differing opinions, one of them is not only wrong, but Evil. The idea that there is a spectrum of opinion on every topic has apparently not occurred to him. One shudders at the thought of dinner conversation chez Shay.

Let's begin with "Dungeons & Dragons." The claim that Crowther and Woods never played "D&D" before designing Adventure doesn't mean that "Dungeons & Dragons" didn't inspire the entire field of adventure gaming, electronic and non-electronic.

"D&D" is the most important gaming phenomenon since "Monopoly." It is inconceivable that the designers of Adventure, with their great interest in such things, had not heard descriptions of the theory and practice of "Dungeons & Dragons." That's like the producer of the latest science fiction film about heroic rebels battling the evil empire saying that he wasn't influenced by "Star Wars." "D&D" is part of popular culture. You don't have to read a Conan Doyle story to know about Sherlock Holmes; you don't have to play "D&D" to know the rudiments of adventuring. And considering the well-known reputation of TSR (creators of "Dungeons & Dragons") for suing to protect "D&D" from even indirect infringement, what are the odds against any adventure author acknowledging a debt to this landmark design where TSR's legal eagles might read it?

I'm sure Scott Adams had just this point in mind if he said that Adventureland was not essentially Crowther and Woods' Adventure revised and re-

styled for micros. No one who has played both could miss the similarities.

There are as many ways to classify adventure games as there are adventure gamers. Addams' approach is no worse than most, but only a self-important blowhard would imagine that it is the only possible means. Personally, I think any distinction between adventures and what Addams terms "role-playing" games is illusory. As experienced gamers know, Wizardry and Ultima have no more role-playing than Amazon or Mindwheel. The main difference is that the former require the gamer to work up a character little by little, while the latter give the gamer a full-blown persona. In other words, games with "experience levels" focus on the process by which someone becomes Conan, while ones without this element concern themselves with what happens once that level of power is achieved.

While drawing a line between illustrated and graphics adventures won't win me the Nobel Prize, I think it does address a fundamental difference. The picture in an illustrated adventure is an external object. The gamer can look, but not directly affect it. The graphics adventure, which often employs icons and symbols as well as illustration, puts the protagonist right into the scene. That's only one man's opinion, but unlike Shay Addams, I know that.

It is distasteful to have to respond to Addams' infantile challenge to my credentials. In my egotistical way, I had hoped everyone already knew me. I've been writing about entertainment software for the last eight years and was co-founder (with Bill Kunkel) and editor of Electronic Games. The Electronic Industry Association, the computer industry trade group, has selected me to chair to Software Showcase awards committee every year since its inception. I am the co-author of Borrowed Time, Activision's new detective adventure and have done major development work on Star Trek (Simon & Schuster) and The Fourth Protocol (Bantam) to name just two adventure game titles. Further references on request. And I don't wash windows....

# LITTLE WINDOWS

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or from the number in location 53284. (This is background color 3, and the *A* in screen memory has its two high bits set to 11, for a value of 192 added to the screen code for *A*.)

When you enter shifted strings or convert existing strings to their shifted equivalents, and then either turn on Reverse mode (CTRL-9) or turn it off (CTRL-0), BASIC will automatically PRINT those strings into screen memory with the high bits set to the code for one of the four background colors.

To turn on Extended Background Color Mode, simply:

POKE 53265,PEEK(53265)OR 64

The program *Extended Background* gives a demonstration of how to convert strings from one mode to another, and then shows how PRINTing a string with each attribute looks on the screen.

## EXTENDED BACKGROUND COLORS

To give the effect of windows with different background colors, then, you merely have to make sure that every string PRINTed within a window's area has the correct combination of SHIFT/UNSHIFT and REVERSE ON/REVERSE OFF attributes.

The program *Windows* divides the screen into four areas, and lets you type whatever you like within each window. The cursor, RETURN, HOME, and CLR keys work normally—but only within the window. To change from one window to another, press f1, f3, f5, or f7. To end the program, press RUN/STOP.

You'll notice that PRINTing shifted or reversed SPACE characters defines each window by filling it with its background color.

The program is, of course, entirely useless. But it does demonstrate how you go about defining screen areas and PRINTing within them.

Each character you type is converted into a number from 0 to 63. These numbers are used as indexes into the string array CH\$(3,63). This array contains the correct ASCII value for either shifted or unshifted characters.

Then the variable FC\$(3) is PRINTed before each character is PRINTed into its window. FC\$(*n*) consists of a foreground color character and either a REVERSE-ON or a REVERSE-OFF character, depending on which background color is needed.

Therefore the character's ASCII value in CH\$(*n*,*n*) decides whether it is shifted or not, and the window's FC\$(*n*) string decides whether it is reversed or not.

It is important that, in changing background colors from window to window, the foreground colors be

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changed as well. Many foreground-background color combinations have such poor contrast that they are completely illegible.

Of course, you don't have to use Extended Background Color Mode with windowlike screen formats. As you saw in December's *Gypsy Pilot* game, the extended background colors were used more for highlighting than to define particular screen areas. As long as your game uses only the alphanumeric characters, you might as well be in Extended Background Color Mode and use the different colors to create a far more interesting screen.

## CRITIQUING GYPSY PILOT

*Gypsy Pilot* (December) was a long one—about 150 disk sectors when it is typed in and saved. And if you've played it, you know that even though it is certainly a *complete* game, it is certainly not a *finished* game.

One of the biggest problems with it is that every now and then, as you're coming back into space after a visit from a planet, the game seems to stop and hang for a *loooooong* time. Unfortunately, this is unavoidable as long as the game depends on C-64 BASIC string manipulation. Because of the clumsy way BASIC handles string formation in memory, lots of garbage is created—sections of string memory that once contained useful strings but now are used for nothing. Every string operation causes more garbage to be created. Finally, string memory is filled up. The only solution is to do "garbage collection" by issuing a command like this:

```
X=FRE(9)
```

The X and the 9 in that statement are dummies. They don't do anything, but they have to be there. The FRE( ) function gets rid of the garbage and tightens down string memory, then returns the amount of memory between the highest array variable address and the lowest string memory address—that's how much memory is left for your program to use. In the middle of the game, of course, we don't *care* how much memory is left. But we still have to use the FRE( ) function to get rid of the garbage. And it takes practically forever to do the job.

The solution? It's quite simple—don't use BASIC's string handling. Ideally, the game's text would be handled in machine language, by loading ranges of text into memory and then copying them into screen memory as needed. But if I had done that, none of the program would have been in BASIC, and so it would all have been incomprehensible to those of you who aren't yet into machine language. So the garbage collection is the price you pay for having the game come out in a column on BASIC game programming!

There are other things that should be done to finish the game properly. For one thing, it would be better if you couldn't leave a planet and then immediately return the ship to the same onscreen sprite and have it be a different "world" when you land! That should be fairly simple to accomplish, by not letting the player visit a planet

again until it wrapped at the edge of the screen.

The on-planet sequences should have shown you the price you were being charged for each valuable item, instead of choosing cost and value randomly *after* you've already bought it.

Because the game contains only 22 different inhabited worlds and 10 uninhabited ones, it simply ends after you've visited about 30. There should have been an ending screen explaining that your term as captain has ended normally, so you don't think you made a mistake. That was simply an oversight on my part—an oversight combined with the fact that *Ahoy!* was going to press and they kind of wanted the finished program to go with my column...

More telling, however, is the fact that there is no *sound* with the game. It should have had sound. When the ship is moving, it should make one kind of sound; when fuel and supplies get low, there should be two different warning sounds. Filling up with fuel and supplies should cause another sound. Each kind of message on a planet should be introduced with a unique sound or tune. And there should have been introductory and closing music.

It could have had all that, too. But you would have had to type in another 50 sectors worth of program. There are limits to how much we can expect you to do. (You didn't know that, did you?)

Most important of all is the fact that the on-planet events are selected with a second-rate artificial-intelligence routine. The algorithms deciding what you find, and what happens to you, and how the aliens or human respond to you, are primitive at best. Some of the flaws can be solved by fine-tuning. Others require new algorithms.

All these flaws in the game are the sort of thing that would turn up in months of testing before a commercial game was released. I don't have the luxury, with a monthly column, of doing that kind of play-testing and fine-tuning—as it was, I stretched the patience of the folks at *Ahoy!* about as far as they can go before they send somebody to North Carolina to break my knees.

What's disgusting is the alarming number of commercial games that are released without having solved problems like these. You've seen some of them—you may even have bought some. And you sit there after playing a few times, wondering how in the world somebody got paid for turning out something as unpolished and unprofessional as *that*. It's one thing to find flaws in an example game that you type in from a magazine column that is trying to teach game programming techniques. It's something else to plunk down fifty bucks for a supposedly professional game that doesn't work any better.

So when you get your game program to a point where it's playable, like my *Gypsy Pilot* game, please don't think that your work is finished. You still have weeks and months of fine-tuning ahead of you before it's ready to go.


The difference is that once you have a working version, it stops being a program and starts being a game. Instead of lines and lines of code, you experience it as events on a screen. Believe me, it makes the work a *lot* easier. □ **SEE PROGRAM LISTINGS ON PAGE 102**



# PROGRAM LISTINGS

Attention new *Ahoy!* readers! You must read the following information very carefully prior to typing in programs listed in *Ahoy!* Certain Commodore characters, commands, and strings of characters and commands will appear in a special format. Follow the instructions and listing guide on this page.

**O**n the following pages you'll find several programs that you can enter on your Commodore computer. But before doing so, read this entire page carefully.

To insure clear reproductions, *Ahoy!*'s program listings are generated on a daisy wheel printer, incapable of printing the commands and graphic characters used in Commodore programs. These are therefore represented by various codes enclosed in brackets [ ]. For example: the SHIFT CLR/HOME command is represented onscreen by a heart . The code we use in our listings is [CLEAR]. The chart below lists all such codes which you'll encounter in our listings, except for one other special case.

The other special case is the COMMODORE and SHIFT characters. On the front of most keys are two symbols. The symbol on the left is obtained by pressing that key while holding down the COMMODORE key; the symbol on the right, by pressing that key while holding down the SHIFT key. COMMODORE and SHIFT characters are represented in our listings by a lower-case "s" or "c" followed by the symbol of the key you must hit. COMMODORE J, for example, is represented by [c J],
































and SHIFT J by [s J].

Additionally, any character that occurs more than two times in a row will be displayed by a coded listing. For example, [3 "[LEFT]"] would be 3 CuRSOR left commands in a row, [5 "[s EP]"] would be 5 SHIFTEd English Pounds, and so on. Multiple blank spaces will be noted in similar fashion: e.g., 22 spaces as [22 " "].

Sometimes you'll find a program line that's too long for the computer to accept (C-64 lines are a maximum of 80 characters, or 2 screen lines long; VIC 20 lines, a maximum of 88 characters, or 4 screen lines). To enter these lines, refer to the *BASIC Command Abbreviations Appendix* in your User Manual.

On the next page you'll find our *Bug Repellent* programs for the VIC 20 and C-64. The version appropriate for your machine will help you proofread our programs after you type them. (Please note: the *Bug Repellent* line codes that follow each program line, in the whited-out area, should *not* be typed in. See the instructions preceding each program.)

Also on the following page you will find *Flankspeed*, our ML entry program, and instructions on its use. □  
Call *Ahoy!* at 212-239-0855 with any problems.

When You See	If Means	You Type	You Will See	When You See	If Means	You Type	You Will See
[CLEAR]	Screen Clear	SHIFT CLR/HOME		[BLACK]	Black	CNTRL 1	
[HOME]	Home	CLR/HOME		[WHITE]	White	CNTRL 2	
[UP]	Cursor Up	SHIFT ↑ CRSR ↓		[RED]	Red	CNTRL 3	
[DOWN]	Cursor Down	↑ CRSR ↓		[CYAN]	Cyan	CNTRL 4	
[LEFT]	Cursor Left	SHIFT ← CRSR →		[PURPLE]	Purple	CNTRL 5	
[RIGHT]	Cursor Right	← CRSR →		[GREEN]	Green	CNTRL 6	
[SS]	Shifted Space	SHIFT Space		[BLUE]	Blue	CNTRL 7	
[INSERT]	Insert	SHIFT INST/DEL		[YELLOW]	Yellow	CNTRL 8	
[DEL]	Delete	INST/DEL		[F1]	Function 1	F1	
[RVSON]	Reverse On	CNTRL 9		[F2]	Function 2	SHIFT F1	
[RVSOFF]	Reverse Off	CNTRL 0		[F3]	Function 3	F3	
[UPARROW]	Up Arrow	↑		[F4]	Function 4	SHIFT F3	
[BACKARROW]	Back Arrow	←		[F5]	Function 5	F5	
[PI]	PI	π		[F6]	Function 6	SHIFT F5	
[EP]	English Pound	£		[F7]	Function 7	F7	
				[F8]	Function 8	SHIFT F7	

**IMPORTANT!** Letters on white background are **Bug Repellent** line codes. **Do not enter them!** This page and page 113 explain these codes and provide other essential information on entering **Ahoy!** programs. Read these pages **before** entering programs.

## BUG REPELLENT

This program will let you debug any *Ahoy!* program. Follow instructions for VIC 20 (cassette or disk) or C-64.

### VIC 20 VERSION

By Michael Kleinert and David Barron

*For cassette:* type in and save the *Bug Repellent* program, then type RUN 63000[RETURN]SYS 828[RETURN]. If you typed the program properly, it will generate a set of two-letter line codes that will match those listed to the right of the respective program lines.

Once you've got a working *Bug Repellent*, type in the program you wish to check. Save it and type the RUN and SYS commands listed above once again, then compare the line codes generated to those listed in the magazine. If you spot a discrepancy, a typing error exists in that line. Important: you must use exactly the same spacing as the program in the magazine. Due to memory limitations on the VIC, the *VIC Bug Repellent* will register an error if your spacing varies from what's printed.

You may type SYS 828 as many times as you wish, but if you use the cassette for anything, type RUN 63000 to restore the *Repellent*.

When your program has been disinfected you may delete all lines from 63000 on. (Be sure the program you type doesn't include lines above 63000!)

*For disk:* enter *Bug Repellent*, save it, and type RUN:NEW [RETURN]. Type in the program you wish to check, then SYS 828.

To pause the line codes listing, press SHIFT.

To send the list to the printer type OPEN 4.4:CMD 4:SYS 828[RETURN]. When the cursor comes back, type PRINT#4:CLOSE 4[RETURN].

•63000 FORX=828T01023:READY:POKEX,Y:NEXT:END AC  
 •63001 DATA169,0,133,63,133,64,165,43,133,251 JL  
 •63002 DATA165,44,133,252,160,0,132,254,32,228 DF  
 •63003 DATA3,234,177,251,208,3,76,208,3,230 OE  
 •63004 DATA251,208,2,230,252,169,244,160,3,32 OH  
 •63005 DATA30,203,160,0,177,251,170,230,251,208 KO  
 •63006 DATA2,230,252,177,251,32,205,221,169,58 JJ  
 •63007 DATA32,210,255,169,0,133,253,230,254,32 OK  
 •63008 DATA228,3,234,165,253,160,0,170,177,251 LG  
 •63009 DATA201,32,240,6,138,113,251,69,254,170 BP  
 •63010 DATA138,133,253,177,251,208,226,165,253,41 DD  
 •63011 DATA240,74,74,74,74,24,105,65,32,210 EK  
 •63012 DATA255,165,253,41,15,24,105,65,32,210 FO  
 •63013 DATA255,169,13,32,210,255,173,141,2,41 PK  
 •63014 DATA1,208,249,230,63,208,2,230,64,230 CB  
 •63015 DATA251,208,2,230,252,76,74,3,169,236 KH  
 •63016 DATA160,3,32,30,203,166,63,165,64,32 DP  
 •63017 DATA205,221,169,13,32,210,255,96,230,251 EL  
 •63018 DATA208,2,230,252,96,0,76,73,78,69 OI  
 •63019 DATA83,58,32,0,76,73,78,69,32,35 FG  
 •63020 DATA32,0,0,0,0,0 LE

### C-64 VERSION

By Michael Kleinert and David Barron

Type in, SAVE, and RUN the *Bug Repellent*. Type NEW, then type in or LOAD the *Ahoy!* program you wish to check. When that's done, SAVE your program (don't RUN it!) and type SYS 49152 [RETURN].

To pause the listing depress and hold the SHIFT key.

Compare the codes your machine generates to the codes listed to the right of the respective program lines. If you spot a difference, an error exists in that line. Jot down the number of lines where

contradictions occur. LIST each line, spot the errors, and correct them.

•5000 FORX=49152T049488:READY:POKEX,Y:NEXT:END GJ  
 •5001 DATA32,161,192,165,43,133,251,165,44,133 DL  
 •5002 DATA252,160,0,132,254,32,37,193,234,177 DB  
 •5003 DATA251,208,3,76,138,192,230,251,208,2 OF  
 •5004 DATA230,252,76,43,192,76,73,78,69,32 KN  
 •5005 DATA35,32,0,169,35,160,192,32,30,171 CA  
 •5006 DATA160,0,177,251,170,230,251,208,2,230 CE  
 •5007 DATA252,177,251,32,205,189,169,58,32,210 JE  
 •5008 DATA255,169,0,133,253,230,254,32,37,193 CL  
 •5009 DATA234,165,253,160,0,76,13,193,133,253 NB  
 •5010 DATA177,251,208,237,165,253,41,240,74,74 MB  
 •5011 DATA74,74,24,105,65,32,210,255,165,253 EP  
 •5012 DATA41,15,24,105,65,32,210,255,169,13 GH  
 •5013 DATA32,220,192,230,63,208,2,230,64,230 AN  
 •5014 DATA251,208,2,230,252,76,11,192,169,153 NG  
 •5015 DATA160,192,32,30,171,166,63,165,64,76 BF  
 •5016 DATA231,192,96,76,73,78,69,83,58,32 EP  
 •5017 DATA0,169,247,160,192,32,30,171,169,3 PJ  
 •5018 DATA133,254,32,228,255,201,83,240,6,201 FK  
 •5019 DATA80,208,245,230,254,32,210,255,169,4 FL  
 •5020 DATA166,254,160,255,32,186,255,169,0,133 CL  
 •5021 DATA63,133,64,133,2,32,189,255,32,192 GC  
 •5022 DATA255,166,254,32,201,255,76,73,193,96 NN  
 •5023 DATA32,210,255,173,141,2,41,1,208,249 NH  
 •5024 DATA96,32,205,189,169,13,32,210,255,32 IM  
 •5025 DATA204,255,169,4,76,195,255,147,83,67 KC  
 •5026 DATA82,69,69,78,32,79,82,32,80,82 DC  
 •5027 DATA73,78,84,69,82,32,63,32,0,76 ML  
 •5028 DATA44,193,234,177,251,201,32,240,6,138 GN  
 •5029 DATA113,251,69,254,170,138,76,88,192,0 JK  
 •5030 DATA0,0,0,230,251,208,2,230,252,96 NA  
 •5031 DATA170,177,251,201,34,208,6,165,2,73 DM  
 •5032 DATA255,133,2,165,2,208,218,177,251,201 JA  
 •5033 DATA32,208,212,198,254,76,29,193,0,169 FM  
 •5034 DATA13,76,210,255,0,0,0 PA

## FLANKSPEED FOR THE C-64

By Gordon F. Wheat

*Flankspeed* will allow you to enter machine language *Ahoy!* programs without any mistakes. Once you have typed the program in, save it for future use. While entering an ML program with *Flankspeed* there is no need to enter spaces or hit the carriage return. This is all done automatically. If you make an error in a line a bell will ring and you will be asked to enter it again. To LOAD in a program Saved with *Flankspeed* use LOAD "name".1.1 for tape, or LOAD "name".8.1 for disk. The function keys may be used after the starting and ending addresses have been entered.

f1—SAVES what you have entered so far.  
 f3—LOADs in a program worked on previously.  
 f5—To continue on a line you stopped on after LOADing in the previously saved work.  
 f7—Scans through the program to locate a particular line, or to find out where you stopped the last time you entered the program. f7 temporarily freezes the output as well.

•5 POKE53280,12:POKE53281,11 LL  
 •6 PRINT"[CLEAR][c 8][RVSON][15" "]FLANKSPEED[15" "]; ED  
 •10 PRINT"[RVSON][5" "]MISTAKEPROOF ML ENTRY P ROGRAM[6" "]; MC  
 •15 PRINT"[RVSON][9" " ]CREATED BY G. F. WHEAT[9" "]; F  
 •20 PRINT"[RVSON][3" " ]COPR. 1984, ION INTERNA DM  
 OT

	TIONAL INC.[3" "]"	DH	•1060 PRINT"?ERROR IN SAVE":GOTO1100	EI
	•30 FORA=54272T054296:POKEA,0:NEXT	IM	•1070 PRINT"?ERROR IN LOAD":GOTO1100	GL
	•40 POKE54272,4:POKE54273,48:POKE54277,0:POKE5		•1080 PRINT:PRINT:PRINT"END OF ML AREA":PRINT	PG
	4278,249:POKE54296,15	NH	•1100 POKE54276,17:POKE54276,16:RETURN	BH
	•70 FORA=680T0699:READB:POKEA,B:NEXT	KO	•1200 OPEN15,8,15:INPUT#15,A,A\$:CLOSE15:PRINTA	IM
	•75 DATA169,251,166,253,164,254,32,216,255,96	HJ	\$:RETURN	PC
	•76 DATA169,0,166,251,164,252,32,213,255,96	JB	•2000 REM GET FOUR DIGIT HEX	GM
	•80 B\$="STARTING ADDRESS IN HEX":GOSUB2010:AD=		•2010 PRINT:PRINTB\$;:INPUT#4	II
	B:SR=B	HC	•2020 IFLEN(T\$)<>4THENGOSUB1020:GOTO2010	AD
	•85 GOSUB2520:IFB=0THEN80	FO	•2040 FORA=1T04:A\$=MID\$(T\$,A,1):GOSUB2060:IFT(A	GF
	•86 POKE251,T(4)+T(3)*16:POKE252,T(2)+T(1)*16	KE	)=16THENGOSUB1020:GOTO2010	EH
	•90 B\$="ENDING ADDRESS IN HEX":GOSUB2010:EN=B	IF	•2050 NEXT B=(T(1)*4096)+(T(2)*256)+(T(3)*16)+	KP
	•95 GOSUB2510:IFB=0THEN80	FP	T(4):RETURN	NP
	•96 POKE254,T(2)+T(1)*16:B=T(4)+1+T(3)*16	MN	•2060 IFA\$>"@"ANDA\$<"G"THENT(A)=ASC(A\$)-55:RET	LI
	•97 IFB>255THENB=B-255:POKE254,PEEK(254)+1	GE	URN	MI
	•98 POKE253,B:PRINT	HN	•2070 IFA\$>"/"ANDA\$<:""THENT(A)=ASC(A\$)-48:RET	MG
	•100 REM GET HEX LINE	IL	URN	MI
	•110 GOSUB3010:PRINT": [c P][LEFT]";:FORA=0T08	FG	•2080 T(A)=16:RETURN	IM
	•120 FORB=0T01:GOTO210	MD	•2500 REM ADDRESS CHECK	EB
	•125 NEXTB	ME	•2510 IFAD>ENTHEN1030	HG
	•130 A%(A)=T(1)+T(0)*16:IFAD+A-1=ENTHEN310	LH	•2515 IFB<SRORB>ENTHEN1040	CE
	•135 PRINT" [c P][LEFT]";	IK	•2520 IFB<256OR(B>4096)ANDB<49152)ORB>53247THE	PN
	•140 NEXTA:T=AD-(INT(AD/256)*256):PRINT" "	PD	N1050	MJ
	•150 FORA=0T07:T=T+A%(A):IFT>255THENT=T-255	LK	•2530 RETURN	IM
	•160 NEXT	IA	•3000 REM ADDRESS TO HEX	EB
	•170 IFA%(8)<>TTHENGOSUB1010:GOTO110	FK	•3010 AC=AD:A=4096:GOSUB3070	HG
	•180 FORA=0T07:POKEAD+A,A%(A):NEXT:AD=AD+8:GOT		•3020 A=256:GOSUB3070	CE
	0110	MN	•3030 A=16:GOSUB3070	PN
	•200 REM GET HEX INPUT	AB	•3040 A=1:GOSUB3070	MJ
	•210 GETA\$:IFA\$=""THEN210	HO	•3060 RETURN	IM
	•211 IFA\$=CHR\$(20)THEN270	GC	•3070 T=INT(AC/A):IFT>9THENA\$=CHR\$(T+55):GOTO3	CJ
	•212 IFA\$=CHR\$(133)THEN4000	MD	090	JP
	•213 IFA\$=CHR\$(134)THEN4100	KF	•3080 A\$=CHR\$(T+48)	AC
	•214 IFA\$=CHR\$(135)THENPRINT" ":GOTO4500	GE	•3090 PRINTA\$;:AC=AC-A*T:RETURN	AI
	•215 IFA\$=CHR\$(136)THENPRINT" ":GOTO4700	BJ	•4000 A\$="**SAVE**":GOSUB4200	LH
	•220 IFA\$>"@"ANDA\$<"G"THENT(B)=ASC(A\$)-55:GOTO		•4050 OPEN1,T,1,A\$:SYS680:CLOSE1	EO
	250	GM	•4060 IFST=0THENEND	FJ
	•230 IFA\$>"/"ANDA\$<:""THENT(B)=ASC(A\$)-48:GOTO		•4070 GOSUB1060:IFT=8THENGOSUB1200	FF
	250	LE	•4080 GOTO4000	AB
	•240 GOSUB1100:GOTO210	LL	•4100 A\$="**LOAD**":GOSUB4200	MF
	•250 PRINTA\$"[c P][LEFT]";	OA	•4150 OPEN1,T,0,A\$:SYS690:CLOSE1	JH
	•260 GOTO125	CG	•4160 IFST=64THEN110	CM
	•270 IFA>0THEN280	OP	•4170 GOSUB1070:IFT=8THENGOSUB1200	FO
	•272 A=-1:IFB=1THEN290	OB	•4180 GOTO4100	FG
	•274 GOTO140	CJ	•4200 PRINT" ":PRINTTAB(14)A\$	OM
	•280 IFB=0THENPRINTCHR\$(20);CHR\$(20);:A=A-1	HG	•4210 PRINT:A\$=""INPUT"FILENAME";A\$	GF
	•285 A=A-1	BE	•4215 IFA\$=""THEN4210	DF
	•290 PRINTCHR\$(20);:GOTO140	KH	•4220 PRINT:PRINT"TAPE OR DISK?":PRINT	IG
	•300 REM LAST LINE	AD	•4230 GETB\$:T=1:IFB\$="D"THENT=8:A\$="@"A\$:RE	FN
	•310 PRINT" ":T=AD-(INT(AD/256)*256)	GJ	TURN	IM
	•320 FORB=0TOA-1:T=T+A%(B):IFT>255THENT=T-255	PL	•4240 IFB\$<>"T"THEN4230	DK
	•330 NEXT	IA	•4250 RETURN	MA
	•340 IFA%(A)<>TTHENGOSUB1010:GOTO110	KF	•4500 B\$="CONTINUE FROM ADDRESS":GOSUB2010:AD=	OI
	•350 FORB=0TOA-1:POKEAD+B,A%(B):NEXT	HN	B	FH
	•360 PRINT:PRINT"YOU ARE FINISHED!":GOTO4000	ON	•4510 GOSUB2515:IFB=0THEN4500	NK
	•1000 REM BELL AND ERROR MESSAGES	FL	•4520 PRINT:GOTO110	DI
	•1010 PRINT:PRINT"LINE ENTERED INCORRECTLY":PR		•4700 B\$="BEGIN SCAN AT ADDRESS":GOSUB2010:AD=	BK
	INT:GOTO1100	DH	B	EC
	•1020 PRINT:PRINT"INPUT A 4 DIGIT HEX VALUE!":	JA	•4705 GOSUB2515:IFB=0THEN4700	GN
	GOTO1100	HD	•4706 PRINT:GOTO4740	MN
	•1030 PRINT:PRINT"ENDING IS LESS THAN STARTING		•4710 FORB=0T07:AC=PEEK(AD+B):GOSUB3030:IFAD+B	JD
	!":B=0:GOTO1100	AG	=ENTHENAD=SR:GOSUB1080:GOTO110	
	•1040 PRINT:PRINT"ADDRESS NOT WITHIN SPECIFIED		•4715 PRINT" ";:NEXTB	
	RANGE!":B=0:GOTO1100		•4720 PRINT:AD=AD+8	
	•1050 PRINT:PRINT"NOT ZERO PAGE OR ROM!":B=0:G		•4730 GETB\$:IFB\$=CHR\$(136)THEN110	
	OTO1100	KN	•4740 GOSUB3010:PRINT" ";:GOTO4710	

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### SLIPSHOD VERSION

•10 PRINT"SLIPSHOD VERSION"	PP	•438 IF A=3THEN=T+1	LB
•20 PRINT" COPYRIGHT 1985 CHERYL PETERSON"	PA	•439 IF A=4THEN=T+0	IH
•130 PRINT"USING MY MICROWAVE'S AUTOMATIC TIMER AND PRE-PROGRAMMED"	NB	•448 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 530	FF
•131 PRINT"COOKING CYCLES DISTURBS ME"	DN	•449 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 430	BH
•132 PRINT"1) NONE"	JK	•530 PRINT"AUTOMATIC TELLER MACHINES ARE"	NC
•133 PRINT"2) A LITTLE"	KN	•531 PRINT"1) A NUISANCE."	EO
•134 PRINT"3) SOME"	IG	•532 PRINT"2) A WASTE OF TIME."	FL
•135 INPUT"4) VERY MUCH";A	JB	•533 PRINT"3) SOMETIMES CONVENIENT."	BH
•136 IF A=1THEN=T+0	JP	•534 INPUT"4) WONDERFUL.";A	LN
•137 IF A=2THEN=T+1	JF	•536 IF A=1THEN=T+3	LB
•138 IF A=3THEN=T+2	KD	•537 IF A=2THEN=T+2	JH
•139 IF A=4THEN=T+3	JJ	•538 IF A=3THEN=T+1	LB
•148 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 230	FK	•539 IF A=4THEN=T+0	IH
•149 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 130	EE	•548 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 630	FG
•230 PRINT"USING THE AUTOMATIC RECORDING FEATURES OF A VCR BOTHERS ME"	LM	•549 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 530	BA
•232 PRINT"1) NONE"	JK	•630 PRINT"I FIND USING A SELF CORRECTING TYPEWRITER"	PG
•233 PRINT"2) A LITTLE"	KN	•631 PRINT"1) FRIGHTENING."	LB
•234 PRINT"3) SOME"	IG	•632 PRINT"2) CONFUSING."	EG
•235 INPUT"4) VERY MUCH";A	JB	•633 PRINT"3) BETTER THEN USING A MANUAL. "	KI
•236 IF A=1THEN=T+0	KM	•634 INPUT"4) A ROYAL PAIN COMPARED TO US ING A WORD PROCESSOR.";A	KB
•237 IF A=2THEN=T+1	JE	•636 IF A=1THEN=T+3	LB
•238 IF A=3THEN=T+2	LA	•637 IF A=2THEN=T+2	JH
•239 IF A=4THEN=T+3	II	•638 IF A=3THEN=T+1	LB
•248 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 330	FL	•639 IF A=4THEN=T+0	IH
•249 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 230	EF	•648 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 730	GH
•330 PRINT"WATCHING A TELEVISION SET OR M ONITOR FOR HOURS"	AJ	•649 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 630	BB
•331 PRINT"1) GIVES ME A HEADACHE, SO I D ON'T DO IT."	KG	•730 PRINT"SETTING THE AUTO-DIALING FEATU RE ON A PHONE IS"	GH
•332 PRINT"2) MAKES MY EYES HURT SO I DON 'T DO IT."	MM	•731 PRINT"1) BEYOND ME."	AB
•333 PRINT"3) KEEPS ME PLEASANTLY OCCUPIE D."	DP	•732 PRINT"2) TOO MUCH BOTHER."	LE
•334 INPUT"4) IS A WAY OF LIFE.";A	CC	•733 PRINT"3) WORTH IT IN CONVENIENCE."	IA
•336 IF A=1THEN=T+3	LB	•734 INPUT"4) EASY, BUT I LET MY COMPUTER DO ALL MY DIALING.";A	IA
•337 IF A=2THEN=T+2	JH	•736 IF A=1THEN=T+3	LB
•338 IF A=3THEN=T+1	LB	•737 IF A=2THEN=T+2	JH
•339 IF A=4THEN=T+0	IH	•738 IF A=3THEN=T+1	LB
•348 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 430	FE	•739 IF A=4THEN=T+0	IH
•349 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 330	EG	•748 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 830	GA
•430 PRINT"A REMOTE CONTROL DEVICE FOR A TELEVISION IS "	DG	•749 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 730	BC
•431 PRINT"1) A NUISANCE."	EO	•830 PRINT"IF MY CAR'S DASHBOARD LOOKED L IKE THE COCKPIT OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE"	PD
•432 PRINT"2) A WASTE OF TIME."	FL	•831 PRINT"1) I'D SELL IT"	CH
•433 PRINT"3) SOMETIMES CONVENIENT."	BH	•832 PRINT"2) I'D IGNORE IT."	MP
•434 INPUT"4) WONDERFUL.";A	LN	•833 PRINT"3) EVENTUALLY I'D FIGURE EVERY THING OUT."	IL
•436 IF A=1THEN=T+3	LB	•834 INPUT"4) I'D BE FIGURING OUT HOW TO GET COMPUTER MAPPING RUNNING";A	LA
•437 IF A=2THEN=T+2	JH	•836 IF A=1THEN=T+3	LB
		•837 IF A=2THEN=T+2	JH
		•838 IF A=3THEN=T+1	LB
		•839 IF A=4THEN=T+0	IH
		•848 IF A>0AND<5THEN GOTO 930	GB
		•849 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 830	CD

LB	•930 PRINT"I'D LIKE TO HAVE A COMPUTER BE CAUSE"	LN	•1599 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS";T;"!"	ME
IH	•931 PRINT"1) IT'S A GREAT STATUS SYMBOL."	ND	•1600 PRINT"FORGET IT! IT'S HOPELESS. A CLASSIC CASE OF COMPUPHOBIA."	DP
FF	"	CN	•1610 PRINT"HOW DID YOU SURVIVE TAKING THIS TEST?!"	MG
BH	•932 PRINT"2) MY KIDS WILL NEED ONE."	OF	<b>STRUCTURED VERSION</b>	
NC	•933 PRINT"3) THERE MUST BE SOMETHING I CAN DO WITH ONE."	AF	•10 PRINT"STRUCTURED VERSION"	DN
EO	•934 INPUT"4) I CAN THINK OF AT LEAST A DOZEN THINGS TO DO WITH ONE";A	LB	•20 PRINT"COPYRIGHT 1985 CHERYL PETERSON"	EB
FL	•936 IF A=1THENT=T+3	JH	•30 PRINT"HIT ANY KEY TO CONTINUE"	OP
BH	•937 IF A=2THENT=T+2	LB	•31 GET Z\$:IF Z\$=""THEN 31	FF
LN	•938 IF A=3THENT=T+1	IH	•100 PRINT"[CLEAR]"	HH
LB	•939 IF A=4THENT=T+0	KB	•130 PRINT"USING MY MICROWAVE'S AUTOMATIC TIMER AND PRE-PROGRAMMED"	NB
JH	•948 IF A>0ANDA<5THEN GOTO 1030	BM	•131 PRINT"COOKING CYCLES DISTURBS ME"	DN
LB	•949 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 930	OB	•132 GOSUB 10001	IL
IH	•1030 PRINT"I WOULDN'T GO THROUGH THE RIDGES AT EPCOT CENTER BECAUSE"	ID	•145 GOSUB 5000	FK
FG	•1031 PRINT"1) I DON'T TRUST THOSE COMPUTER RUN CONTRAPTIONS."	EE	•146 IF A%<0ORA%>4 THEN 130	BG
BA	•1032 PRINT"2) WHO CARES ABOUT TECHNO MUMBLE ANYWAY."	CA	•150 GOSUB 10100	IN
PG	•1033 PRINT"3) I'D BE TOO BUSY EATING!"	DJ	•230 PRINT"USING THE AUTOMATIC RECORDING FEATURES OF A VCR BOTHERS ME"	LM
LB	•1034 INPUT"4) I'VE ALREADY RIDDEN ON ALL OF THEM";A	LB	•232 GOSUB 10001	IL
EG	•1036 IF A=1THENT=T+3	JH	•245 GOSUB 5000	FK
KI	•1037 IF A=2THENT=T+2	LB	•246 IF A%<0ORA%>4 THEN 230	BL
KB	•1038 IF A=3THENT=T+1	JH	•260 GOSUB 10100	IN
LB	•1039 IF A=4THENT=T+0	LB	•330 PRINT"WATCHING A TELEVISION SET OR MONITOR FOR HOURS"	AJ
IH	•1048 IF A>0ANDA<5THEN GOTO 1100	IH	•331 PRINT"1) GIVES ME A HEADACHE, SO I DON'T DO IT."	KG
GH	•1049 PRINT"TRY A NUMBER, 1-4":GOTO 1030	JP	•332 PRINT"2) MAKES MY EYES HURT, SO I DON'T DO IT."	FL
BB	•1100 INPUT "HOW MANY COMPUTERS DO YOU OWN";A	IO	•333 PRINT"3) KEEPS ME PLEASANTLY OCCUPIED."	DP
GH	•1105 IF A>10 THEN PRINT"TRY A NUMBER LESS THAN 11"	BP	•334 INPUT"4) IS A WAY OF LIFE.";A%	FP
AB	•1110 IF A>10 THEN GOTO 1100	BK	•340 GOSUB 5000	FK
LE	•1120 IF T>10 OR T=10 THEN T=T-A	ML	•350 IF A%<0ORA%>4 THEN 330	BI
IA	•1300 IF T>10 THEN 1400	NC	•360 GOSUB 10200	IK
IA	•1310 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS A MEASLY";T;"WHICH MEANS YOU ARE AT HOME WITH"	HL	•430 PRINT"A REMOTE CONTROL DEVICE FOR A TELEVISION IS "	DG
LB	•1320 PRINT"THE COMING COMPUTER REVOLUTION. IF YOU AREN'T ALREADY ACTIVELY"	IG	•431 GOSUB 10050	JJ
JH	•1330 PRINT"INVOLVED WITH THE BEASTIES, YOU SHOULD BE."	PB	•440 GOSUB 5000	FK
LB	•1340 END	CO	•450 IF A%<0ORA%>4 THEN 430	BN
IH	•1400 IF T>20 THEN 1500	IC	•460 GOSUB 10200	IK
GA	•1405 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS";T;"."	GF	•530 PRINT"AUTOMATIC TELLER MACHINES ARE"	NC
BC	•1410 PRINT"WITH A VERY SLIGHT ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT, YOU COULD BE"	PC	•531 GOSUB 10050	JJ
MP	•1420 PRINT"HAPPILY ENJOYING THE BENEFITS OF A COMPUTER COMPANION."	AA	•540 GOSUB 5000	FK
IL	•1440 END	NI	•550 IF A%<0ORA%>4 THEN 530	BK
LA	•1500 IF T>25 THEN 1600	IC	•560 GOSUB 10200	IK
LB	•1505 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS";T;"."	FD	•630 PRINT"I FIND USING A SELF CORRECTING TYPEWRITER"	PG
JH	•1510 PRINT"GETTING YOU INTO COMMUNION WITH A COMPUTER WILL TAKE"	PC	•631 PRINT"1) FRIGHTENING."	LB
LB	•1520 PRINT"A TREMENDOUS EFFORT. BETTER OFF LEAVING TO THE NEXT GENERATION."	AA	•632 PRINT"2) CONFUSING."	EG
IH	•1540 END	EJ	•633 PRINT"3) BETTER THAN USING A MANUAL."	HM
GB		EJ	•634 INPUT"4) A ROYAL PAIN COMPARED TO USING A WORD PROCESSOR.";A%	LN
CD		OB	•640 GOSUB 5000	FK
		IC	•650 IF A%<0ORA%>4 THEN 630	DP

**IMPORTANT!** Letters on white background are **Bug Repellent** line codes. **Do not enter them!** Pages 97 and 98 explain these codes and provide other essential information on entering **AHOY!** programs. Refer to these pages **before** entering any programs!

•660 GOSUB 10200	IK	N. IF YOU AREN'T ALREADY ACTIVELY"	PB
•730 PRINT"SETTING THE AUTO-DIALING FEATU RE ON A PHONE IS"	GH	•1330 PRINT"INVOLVED WITH THE BEASTIES, Y OU SHOULD BE."	CO
•731 PRINT"1) BEYOND ME."	AB	•1340 END	IC
•732 PRINT"2) TOO MUCH BOTHER."	LE	•1400 IF T>20 THEN 1500	GF
•733 PRINT"3) WORTH IT IN CONVENIENCE."	IA	•1405 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS";T;"."	PC
•734 INPUT"4) EASY, BUT I LET MY COMPUTER DO ALL MY DIALING.";A%	NC	•1410 PRINT"WITH A VERY SLIGHT ATTITUDE A DJUSTMENT, YOU COULD BE"	AA
•740 GOSUB 5000	FK	•1420 PRINT"HAPPILY ENJOYING THE BENEFITS OF A COMPUTER COMPANION."	NI
•750 IF A%<00RA%>4 THEN 730	DM	•1440 END	IC
•760 GOSUB 10200	IK	•1500 IF T>25 THEN 1599	HC
•830 PRINT"IF MY CAR'S DASHBOARD LOOKED L IKE THE COCKPIT OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE"	PD	•1505 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS";T;"."	PC
•831 PRINT"1) I'D SELL IT"	CH	•1510 PRINT"GETTING YOU INTO COMMUNION WI TH A COMPUTER WILL TAKE A"	LC
•832 PRINT"2) I'D IGNORE IT."	MP	•1520 PRINT"MIRACLE. BUT STRANGER THINGS HAVE HAPPENED. GOOD LUCK!"	HM
•833 PRINT"3) EVENTUALLY I'D FIGURE EVERY THING OUT."	IL	•1540 END	IC
•834 INPUT"4) I'D BE FIGURING OUT HOW TO GET COMPUTER MAPPING SYSTEM RUNNING";A%	MF	•1599 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS";T;"!"	ME
•840 GOSUB 5000	FK	•1600 PRINT"FORGET IT! IT'S HOPELESS. A C LASSIC CASE OF COMPUPHOBIA."	DP
•850 IF A%<00RA%>4 THEN 830	EB	•1610 PRINT"HOW DID YOU SURVIVE TAKING TH IS TEST?!"	MG
•860 GOSUB 10200	IK	•2000 END	IC
•930 PRINT"I'D LIKE TO HAVE A COMPUTER BE CAUSE"	LN	•5000 IF A%>0ANDA%<5THEN RETURN	CJ
•931 PRINT"1) IT'S A GREAT STATUS SYMBOL. "	ND	•5005 PRINT"[CLEAR]"	HH
•932 PRINT"2) MY KIDS WILL NEED ONE."	CN	•5010 PRINT"TRY CHOOSING AN INTEGER BETWE EN 1 AND 4"	NE
•933 PRINT"3) THERE MUST BE SOMETHING I C AN DO WITH ONE."	OF	•10001 PRINT"1) NONE"	JK
•934 INPUT"4) I CAN THINK OF AT LEAST A D OZEN THINGS TO DO WITH ONE";A%	GA	•10002 PRINT"2) A LITTLE"	KN
•940 GOSUB 5000	FK	•10003 PRINT"3) SOME"	IG
•950 IF A%<00RA%>4 THEN 930	DO	•10004 INPUT"4) VERY MUCH";A%	KI
•960 GOSUB 10200	IK	•10005 RETURN	IM
•1030 PRINT"I WOULDN'T GO THROUGH THE RID ES AT EPCOT CENTER BECAUSE"	OB	•10050 PRINT"1) A NUISANCE."	EO
•1031 PRINT"1) I DON'T TRUST THOSE COMPUT ER RUN CONTRAPTIONS."	ID	•10055 PRINT"2) A WASTE OF TIME."	FL
•1032 PRINT"2) WHO CARES ABOUT ALL THAT T ECHNO-MUMBLE ANYWAY."	KE	•10060 PRINT"3) SOMETIMES CONVENIENT."	BH
•1033 PRINT"3) I'D BE TOO BUSY EATING!"	CA	•10065 INPUT"4) WONDERFUL.";A%	ND
•1034 INPUT"4) I'VE ALREADY RIDDEN ON ALL OF THEM";A%	DP	•10070 RETURN	IM
•1040 GOSUB 5000	FK	•10100 IF A%=1THEN T=T+0	MI
•1050 IF A%<00RA%>4 THEN 1030	FH	•10110 IF A%=2THEN T=T+1	MM
•1060 GOSUB 10200	IK	•10120 IF A%=3THEN T=T+2	MI
•1100 INPUT "HOW MANY COMPUTERS DO YOU OW N";A%	GF	•10130 IF A%=4THEN T=T+3	KM
•1105 IF A%>10 THEN PRINT"TRY A NUMBER LE SS THAN 11"	CE	•10140 PRINT"[CLEAR]"	HH
•1110 IF A%>10 THEN GOTO 1100	AE	•10150 RETURN	IM
•1120 IF T>10 OR T=10 THEN T=T-A%	OK	•10200 IF A%=1THEN T=T+3	NF
•1300 IF T>10 THEN 1400	HL	•10210 IF A%=2THEN T=T+2	ML
•1310 PRINT"YOUR SCORE IS A MEASLY";T;"WH ICH MEANS YOU ARE AT HOME WITH"	IG	•10220 IF A%=3THEN T=T+1	MJ
•1320 PRINT"THE COMING COMPUTER REVOLUTIO		•10230 IF A%=4THEN T=T+0	KP
		•10240 PRINT"[CLEAR]"	HH
		•10250 RETURN	IM

## LITTLE WINDOWS FROM PAGE 18

EXTENDED BACKGROUND

•1 REM \*\*\* EXTENDED BACKGROUND DEMO \*\*\* BP

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.9 REM SET EXTENDED BACKGROUND COLOR MODE
.10 POKE 53265,PEEK(53265)OR 64
.11 REM SET UP REGULAR STRING FOR BACKGROUND #0
.12 A$(0)="ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ 1234567890 !#$%&'()+-[]\./.,<>?"
.13 A$(0)=A$(0)+CHR$(34)+CHR$(34)
.14 REM CONVERT REGULAR CHARACTERS TO SHIFTED CHARACTERS FOR BACKGROUND #1
.15 A$(1)="":FOR I=1 TO LEN(A$(0)):A=ASC(MID$(A$(0),I,1))
.16 IF A<64 THEN A=A+128:GOTO 18
.17 A=A+32
.18 A$(1)=A$(1)+CHR$(A):NEXT
.19 REM ADD REVERSE-ON/OFF CHARACTERS TO BOTH STRINGS FOR BACKGROUNDS 2 & 3
.20 A$(2)="[RVSON]" + A$(1) + "[RVSOFF]":A$(3)="[RVSON]" + A$(1) + "[RVSOFF]"
.21 FOR I=0 TO 3:PRINT A$(I):NEXT

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CB .100 GOSUB 40:GOSUB 50:IF A$="" AND D=0 A
AM ND JY=0 AND JB=0 THEN 100 LE
PH .104 REM IF IT WAS A FUNCTION KEY, CHANGE
PH WINDOWS BJ
EI .105 IF(D>132)AND(D<137)THEN QQ=D-133:POKE
EI 53280,BC(QQ):GOTO 100 LA
LJ .109 REM IF IT WAS FUNCTION 2, QUIT
LJ FH
OC .110 IF D=137 THEN SYS 58235
OC HG
FM .114 REM IF IT WAS CLR KEY, CLEAR WINDOW
FM BD
DJ .115 IF D=147 THEN HP(QQ)=ML(QQ):VP(QQ)=M
DJ T(QQ):GOSUB 80:GOTO 100 JK
FB .119 REM IF IT WAS HOME KEY, HOME CURSOR
FB MD
DD .120 IF D=19 THEN HP(QQ)=ML(QQ):VP(QQ)=M
DD T(QQ):GOTO 100 MG
CJ .124 REM DOWN CURSOR
CJ KM
JD .125 IF D=17 THEN GOSUB 200:GOTO 100
JD BG
BA .129 REM UP CURSOR
BA CM
.130 IF D=145 THEN GOSUB 210:GOTO 100
.134 REM RIGHT CURSOR
.135 IF D=29 THEN GOSUB 220:GOTO 100
.139 REM LEFT CURSOR
.140 IF D=157 THEN GOSUB 230:GOTO 100
.144 REM RETURN KEY
.145 IF D=13 OR D=10 THEN GOSUB 200:HP(QQ)
)=ML(QQ):GOTO 100
.149 REM DELETE KEY
.150 IF D=20 THEN GOSUB 240:GOTO 100
.164 REM IF IT WAS A COMMAND, BUT NOT A L
EGAL ONE, GO BACK FOR ANOTHER KEYREAD
.165 IF D>0 THEN 100
.169 REM IF IT WAS A CHARACTER, PRINT IT
.170 PRINT VV$(VP(QQ))TAB(HP(QQ))FC$(QQ)C
H$(QQ,A);:GOSUB 220:GOTO 100
.190 GOTO 100
.199 REM CURSOR DOWN ROUTINE
.200 VP(QQ)=VP(QQ)+1:IF VP(QQ)>MB(QQ) THE
N VP(QQ)=MT(QQ)
.201 RETURN
.209 REM CURSOR UP ROUTINE
.210 VP(QQ)=VP(QQ)-1:IF VP(QQ)<MT(QQ) THE
N VP(QQ)=MB(QQ)
.211 RETURN
.219 REM CURSOR RIGHT ROUTINE
.220 HP(QQ)=HP(QQ)+1:IF HP(QQ)>MR(QQ) THE
N HP(QQ)=ML(QQ):GOSUB 200
.221 RETURN
.229 REM CURSOR LEFT ROUTINE
.230 HP(QQ)=HP(QQ)-1:IF HP(QQ)<ML(QQ) THE
N HP(QQ)=MR(QQ):GOSUB 210
.231 RETURN
.239 REM DELETE KEY ROUTINE
.240 GOSUB 230:PRINT VV$(VP(QQ))TAB(HP(QQ)
))FC$(QQ)CH$(QQ,0);
.241 RETURN
.800 DIM VV$(24),CH$(3,63),FC$(3),BC(3),V
P(3),HP(3),CB(3),MT(3),MB(3),ML(3),MR(3)
.801 REM INITIAL COLOR VALUES
.802 FOR I=0 TO 3:READ FC$(I),BC(I),CB(I)

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**WINDOWS**

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.1 REM *** WINDOWS ***
.2 REM CREATES THE ILLUSION OF WINDOWS US
ING EXTENDED BACKGROUND COLOR MODE
.13 REM SET EXTENDED COLOR MODE
.14 POKE 53265,PEEK(53265)OR 64
.15 GOSUB 800
.19 REM EMPTY THE KEYBOARD BUFFER
.20 POKE 198,0
.30 GOTO 100
.39 REM GET RAW JOYSTICK VALUE AND INVERT
IT (JOYSTICK PORT 2)
.40 JY=255-PEEK(56320)
.41 REM GET SEPARATE BUTTON VALUE
.42 JB=JY AND 16
.43 REM CLEAN UP JOYSTICK VALUE AND RETUR
N
.44 JY=JY AND 15:RETURN
.49 REM ** READ KEYBOARD
.50 D=0:GET A$:IF A$="" THEN RETURN
.51 REM IS IT A COMMAND CHARACTER?
.52 A=ASC(A$):IF A<32 OR A>95 THEN D=A:A=
0:A$="":RETURN
.53 REM CONVERT KEYSTROKE TO CODE FOR CH$(
) ARRAY
.54 A=A-32:RETURN
.79 REM ** CLEAR WINDOW
.80 FOR I=MT(QQ)-1 TO MB(QQ)+1:PRINT VV$(
I)TAB(ML(QQ)-1);
.81 REM SET FOR NON-REVERSE OR REVERSE
.82 PRINT "[RVSOFF]";:IF QQ>1 THEN PRINT
"[RVSON]";
.83 REM PRINT CORRECT PORTION OF WINDOW'S
BLANK STRING
.84 PRINT LEFT$(BL$(QQ),MR(QQ)-ML(QQ)+2);
:NEXT:RETURN
.99 REM ** MAIN KEYREAD LOOP

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NI .144 REM RETURN KEY
PA .145 IF D=13 OR D=10 THEN GOSUB 200:HP(QQ)
)=ML(QQ):GOTO 100
GO .149 REM DELETE KEY
AM .150 IF D=20 THEN GOSUB 240:GOTO 100
CI .164 REM IF IT WAS A COMMAND, BUT NOT A L
PP EGAL ONE, GO BACK FOR ANOTHER KEYREAD
KB .165 IF D>0 THEN 100
CF .169 REM IF IT WAS A CHARACTER, PRINT IT
AA .170 PRINT VV$(VP(QQ))TAB(HP(QQ))FC$(QQ)C
LE H$(QQ,A);:GOSUB 220:GOTO 100
CG .190 GOTO 100
PK .199 REM CURSOR DOWN ROUTINE
EJ .200 VP(QQ)=VP(QQ)+1:IF VP(QQ)>MB(QQ) THE
N VP(QQ)=MT(QQ)
OP .201 RETURN
HH .209 REM CURSOR UP ROUTINE
LI .210 VP(QQ)=VP(QQ)-1:IF VP(QQ)<MT(QQ) THE
N VP(QQ)=MB(QQ)
PP .211 RETURN
GD .219 REM CURSOR RIGHT ROUTINE
HK .220 HP(QQ)=HP(QQ)+1:IF HP(QQ)>MR(QQ) THE
N HP(QQ)=ML(QQ):GOSUB 200
BD .221 RETURN
CK .229 REM CURSOR LEFT ROUTINE
ME .230 HP(QQ)=HP(QQ)-1:IF HP(QQ)<ML(QQ) THE
N HP(QQ)=MR(QQ):GOSUB 210
LK .231 RETURN
LL .239 REM DELETE KEY ROUTINE
KL .240 GOSUB 230:PRINT VV$(VP(QQ))TAB(HP(QQ)
))FC$(QQ)CH$(QQ,0);
AE .241 RETURN
IL .800 DIM VV$(24),CH$(3,63),FC$(3),BC(3),V
P(3),HP(3),CB(3),MT(3),MB(3),ML(3),MR(3)
.801 REM INITIAL COLOR VALUES
.802 FOR I=0 TO 3:READ FC$(I),BC(I),CB(I)

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: NEXT
•803 DATA "[c 8][RVSOFF]",2,53281,"[BLUE]
[RVSOFF]",14,53282,"[c 2][RVSON]",7,5328
3,"[YELLOW][RVSON]",5,53284
•804 REM SET MARGINS & STARTING CURSOR PO
SITIONS
•805 FOR I=0 TO 3:READ MT(I),MB(I),ML(I),
MR(I):VP(I)=MT(I):HP(I)=ML(I):NEXT
•806 DATA 1,15,1,18,1,9,21,38,18,23,1,18,
12,23,21,38
•809 REM VERTICAL PLACEMENT STRINGS
•810 VV$(0)="[HOME]":FOR I=1 TO 24:VV$(I)
=VV$(I-1)+"[DOWN]":NEXT
•819 REM SET UNSHIFTED CHARACTER TABLES
•820 FOR I=0 TO 63:CH$(0,I)=CHR$(I+32):CH
$(2,I)=CH$(0,I):NEXT
•821 REM SET SHIFTED CHARACTER TABLE
•822 FOR I=0 TO 31:CH$(1,I)=CHR$(I+160):C
H$(3,I)=CH$(1,I):NEXT
•823 FOR I=32 TO 63:CH$(1,I)=CHR$(I+64):C
H$(3,I)=CH$(1,I):NEXT
•824 REM SET UNSHIFTED BLANK LINE
•825 BL$(0)="[38" " ]":BL$(2)=BL$(0)
•826 REM SET SHIFTED BLANK LINE
•827 BL$(1)="":FOR I=1 TO 39:BL$(1)=BL$(1
)+CHR$(160):NEXT:BL$(3)=BL$(1)
•829 REM INITIALIZE SCREEN
•830 PRINT "[CLEAR]";:FOR QQ=0 TO 3:GOSUB
80
•831 REM CLEAR WINDOW EDGES
•832 FOR I=MT(QQ)-1 TO MB(QQ)+1:POKE 1024
+I*40+MR(QQ)+1,32+64*QQ:NEXT:NEXT
•833 QQ=0
•834 FOR I=0 TO 3:POKE CB(I),BC(I):NEXT
•835 POKE 53280,BC(QQ)
•890 RETURN

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PG 16 *
17 TABLEN EQU 512
18 MVSRC EQU $FB
BI 19 MVDEST EQU MVSRC+2
20 *
LJ 21 LNPTR EQU $200
22 *
JC 23 * SET CIA BITS TO OUTPUTS
24 *
EJ 25 LDA C2DDRA
CE 26 ORA #3
27 STA C2DDRA
PB 28 *
LG 29 * SWITCH TO UPPER CASE
30 *
GH 31 LDA #142
IJ 32 JSR CHROUT
33 *
EG 34 * CLEAR RAM FOR CHR MEMORY
35 *
NF 36 LDA #48
IH 37 STA FRETOP
PF 38 STA MEMSIZ
CP 39 *
40 * TURN OFF KB INTERRUPT TIMER
EK 41 *
ID 42 LDA CIACRE
43 AND #$FE
PA 44 STA CIACRE
EA 45 *
46 * SWITCH I/O OFF, CHAR ROM ON
MG 47 *
IL 48 LDA R6510
JE 49 AND #$FB
GL 50 STA R6510
IM 51 *
52 * COPY CHARACTERS INTO RAM
53 *
54 LDA #<CHRBAS
55 STA MVSRC
56 LDA #>CHRBAS
57 STA MVSRC+1
58 *
59 LDA #<NEWADR
60 STA MVDEST
61 LDA #>NEWADR
62 STA MVDEST+1
63 *
64 LDA #<TABLEN
65 STA LNPTR
66 LDA #>TABLEN
67 STA LNPTR+1
68 *
69 * START MOVE
70 *
71 LDY #0

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## MOVECHRS FROM PAGE 73

Use of an assembler is required for entry of this program.

See introductory article.

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1 *
2 * MOVECHAR
3 *
4 ORG $8000
5 *
6 R6510 EQU $0001
7 NEWADR EQU $3000
8 CHRBAS EQU $D000
9 CIACRE EQU $DC0E
10 C2DDRA EQU $DD02
11 MEMREG EQU $D018
12 CHROUT EQU $FFD2
13 *
14 FRETOP EQU $0034
15 MEMSIZ EQU $0038

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72      LDX   LENPTR+1
73      BEQ   MVPART
74 MVPAGE LDA   (MVSRC),Y
75      STA   (MVDEST),Y
76      INY
77      BNE   MVPAGE
78      INC   MVSRC+1
79      INC   MVDEST+1
80      DEX
81      BNE   MVPAGE
82 MVPART LDX   LENPTR
83      BEQ   MVEXIT
84 MVLAST LDA   (MVSRC),Y
85      STA   (MVDEST),Y
86      INY
87      DEX
88      BNE   MVLAST
89 MVEXIT
90 *
91 * SWITCH I/O BACK IN
92 *
93      LDA   R6510
94      ORA   #4
95      STA   R6510
96 *
97 * TURN TIMER BACK ON
98 *
99      LDA   CIACRE
100     ORA   #1
101     STA   CIACRE
102 *
103 * SET VIC MEMORY CONTROL REGISTER
104 *
105     CLC
106     LDA   MEMREG
107     AND   #$F0
108     ADC   #$0C
109     STA   MEMREG
110 *
111     RTS
112 *
113     END
114 *

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## ELMAC FROM PAGE 34

### ELMAC PLAYS NIM

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•10 REM      JD
•15 REM      RUPERT REPORT #26  OP
•20 REM      ELMAC PLAYS NIM   GA
•25 REM      JD
•30 PRINT CHR$(147);          JL
•40 :REM - - - - -             CL
•50 :REM      INITIALIZE       NC
•55 :REM - - - - -             CL
•60 DIM A(3,4,5,12),M(6,3)   NP
•70 FALSE=0 : TRUE=NOT FALSE  MH
•80 BK$="[10"[LEFT]""]      JC

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•90 SP$="[38" "]"           PK
•100 L$="[38" "="]         AB
•110 PRINT "ELMAC <THE ELEMENTARY LEARNIN
      G MACHINE>"TAB(53)"PLAYS NIM" : PRINT  NP
•120 OPEN 15,8,15 :REM DISK ERROR CHANNEL  NK
•125 :REM - - - - -         MP
•130 REM -- BEGIN NEW GAME --      NC
•140 :REM - - - - -         MP
•150 :REM  READ KEYBOARD           BE
•160 GOSUB 2110                  FL
•170 :REM  PLAYER CHOSEN YET?      EP
•180 IF PL=0 THEN 160            EH
•190 :REM  MOVE ARRAY FILLED YET? CG
•200 IF F0=1 THEN 230           CA
•210 :REM  FILL MOVE ARRAY INITIALLY AC
•220 PRINT : PRINT "THINKING [3"."]" : GO
      SUB 1580 : F0=1           NA
•230 IF NOT MDCHG THEN 300      ML
•240 :REM  NEW GAME IN NEW MODE    KB
•250 PRINT CHR$(147); : LL=5 : GOSUB 2400
      : MDCHG=FALSE           IB
•260 :REM                          ML
•270 :REM <><><> MAIN GAME LOOP <><><><> HL
•280 :REM                          ML
•290 :REM  NEW GAME IN PREVIOUS MODE MF
•300 X=3 : Y=4 : Z=5 : MN=0      ON
•310 :REM  DOES ELMAC GO FIRST?   LE
•320 IF RND(0)<.5 THEN 380      BA
•330 :REM  OTHER PLAYER'S MOVE    PI
•340 ON PL GOSUB 810,1790       EH
•350 :REM  DID OTHER PLAYER WIN?  FJ
•360 IF X+Y+Z=0 THEN WIN=FALSE :GOTO 460 DK
•370 :REM  ELMAC'S TURN           OK
•380 GOSUB 530                  CI
•390 :REM  DID ELMAC LOSE?        JP
•400 IF TM=0 THEN WIN=FALSE : GOTO 460 PK
•410 :REM  DID ELMAC MAKE LAST MOVE? DL
•420 IF X+Y+Z=0 THEN WIN=TRUE : GOTO 460 MG
•430 :REM  READY FOR NEXT MOVE    HD
•440 GOTO 340                    CD
•450 :REM  GO TO GAME OVER ROUTINE EK
•460 GOSUB 970                   DA
•470 :REM  HAS ANY KEY BEEN PRESSED? AA
•480 GET R$ : IF R$<>"" THEN 160  FP
•490 :REM  START NEXT GAME, SAME MODE AI
•500 GOTO 300                     BP
•510 :REM <><><> END OF GAME LOOP <><><> IE
•520 :REM - - - - -             HC
•530 REM      ELMAC'S MOVE       JP
•540 :REM - - - - -             HC
•550 :REM  HOW MANY VALID MOVES?  EO
•560 TM=A(X,Y,Z,0)              KA
•570 :REM RETURN IF NO VALID MOVES; ELMAC
      LOST                       OF
•580 IF TM=0 THEN 790           FH
•590 :REM  SELECT NEXT MOVE      CO
•600 RN=INT(RND(0)*TM)+1       OH
•610 :REM  STEP THRU THE CHOICES TO FIND

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THE SELECTED MOVE

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.620 CT=0 : FOR P=1 TO 12
.630 CT=CT+A(X,Y,Z,P) : MV=P
.640 :REM FOUND MOVE VALUE (MV=1 TO 12)
.650 IF CT>=RN THEN P=12
.660 NEXT P
.670 :REM RECORD THE MOVE
.680 MN=MN+1 : M(MN,0)=MV : M(MN,1)=X
.690 M(MN,2)=Y : M(MN,3)=Z
.700 :REM SAVE THE BOARD
.710 X0=X : Y0=Y : Z0=Z
.720 :REM MV STORES THE SELECTED MOVE
.730 IF MV<4 THEN X=X-MV : GOTO 770
.740 IF MV<8 THEN Y=Y-MV+3 : GOTO 770
.750 Z=Z-MV+7
.760 :REM SHOW BOARD AFTER MOVE
.770 PRINT "ELMAC: ";X;Y;Z
.780 :REM NEXT MOVE
.790 RETURN
.800 :REM - - - - -
.810 REM RANDOM PLAYER
.820 :REM - - - - -
.830 :REM PICK RANDOM MOVE
.840 ROW=INT(RND(0)*3)+1
.850 IF ROW=1 THEN MAX=X
.860 IF ROW=2 THEN MAX=Y
.870 IF ROW=3 THEN MAX=Z
.880 :REM IF ROW EMPTY, TRY AGAIN
.890 IF MAX=0 THEN 840
.900 NUM=INT(RND(0)*MAX)+1
.910 IF ROW=1 THEN X=X-NUM
.920 IF ROW=2 THEN Y=Y-NUM
.930 IF ROW=3 THEN Z=Z-NUM
.940 PRINT "RANDOM: ";X;Y;Z
.950 RETURN
.960 :REM - - - - -
.970 REM GAME OVER
.980 :REM - - - - -
.990 :REM INCREMENT NUMBER OF GAMES
.1000 NG=NG+1
.1010 IF WIN=TRUE THEN 1110
.1020 :REM >> ELMAC LOST! <<
.1030 :REM PUNISH THE LAST MOVE
.1040 LAST=A(X0,Y0,Z0,MV)
.1050 A(X0,Y0,Z0,MV)=0
.1060 A(X0,Y0,Z0,0)=A(X0,Y0,Z0,0)-LAST
.1070 :REM INCREMENT NUMBER OF LOSSES
.1080 NL=NL+1
.1090 :REM UPDATE SCREEN
.1100 GOTO 1220
.1110 :REM >> ELMAC WON! <<
.1120 :REM INCREMENT NUMBER OF WINS
.1130 NW=NW+1
.1140 :REM REWARD ALL WINNING MOVES
.1150 FOR J=1 TO MN
.1160 X1=M(J,1) : Y1=M(J,2) : Z1=M(J,3)

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DK .1170 M1=M(J,0) JE
ID .1180 A(X1,Y1,Z1,M1)=A(X1,Y1,Z1,M1)+1 OA
MG .1190 A(X1,Y1,Z1,0)=A(X1,Y1,Z1,0)+1 OF
BJ .1200 NEXT J MM
EA .1210 :REM UPDATE SCREEN FM
NC .1220 IF PL=1 THEN 1260 HO
JD .1230 IF WIN THEN PRINT "ELMAC WON. PRESS
GC ANY KEY." KL
NF .1240 IF NOT WIN THEN PRINT "YOU WON. PRE
FB SS ANY KEY." ED
CK .1250 GET R$ : IF R$="" THEN 1250 LG
IP .1260 FOR J=1 TO 8 : PRINT SP$ : NEXT J : DI
OJ LL=1 : GOSUB 2400 MN
JJ .1270 WSTRK=WSTRK+1 FN
JM .1280 IF NOT WIN THEN WSTRK=0 DB
PE .1290 IF WSTRK>WMAX THEN WMAX=WSTRK
GJ .1300 PRINT "# GAMES, WINS, LOSSES[4" "]%
DF WIN" PE
IM .1310 PRINT TAB(2)NG;TAB(9)NW;TAB(16)NL;T
KO AB(25)LEFT$(STR$(100*NW/NG)+"[4" "]",7) MN
AH .1320 PRINT "CURRENT/LONGEST WIN STREAK[1
KO 0" "];BK$;WSTRK;"/";WMAX : PRINT L$ KI
NN .1330 :REM READY FOR NEW GAME AJ
KD .1340 RETURN IM
BG .1350 :REM - - - - - EO
AG .1360 REM DISPLAY & SAVE MOVE ARRAY PA
AC .1370 :REM - - - - - EO
KI .1375 :REM DISPLAY MOVE ARRAY HP
KE .1380 PRINT CHR$(147) FG
HP .1390 FOR I=0 TO 3 : FOR J=0 TO 4 DI
EM .1400 FOR K=0 TO 5 : PRINT "[RVSON];I;J;
CH K;"[RVSOFF]" EJ
CK .1410 FOR P=0 TO 12 : PRINT A(I,J,K,P); :
FN NEXT P EB
IM .1420 PRINT :GET R$ :IF R$<>"" THEN I=3 :
HC J=4 : K=5 NA
OH .1430 NEXT K : NEXT J : NEXT I MP
HC .1440 :REM SAVE MOVE ARRAY TO DISK CM
FO .1450 INPUT "SAVE THIS ARRAY (Y/N)";A$ NG
LK .1460 IF A$<>"Y" THEN 1560 IK
BB .1470 INPUT "WHAT FILENAME";F$ DL
IH .1480 :REM CREATE MOVE ARRAY IF IT'S NOT
EH ALREADY LOADED MM
GP .1490 IF F0=0 THEN PRINT "ONE MOMENT [3".
ED "]" : GOSUB 1580 : F0=1 FL
KI .1500 OPEN 1,8,8,F$+"S,W" : GOSUB 2500 AO
JL .1510 FOR I=0 TO 3 : FOR J=0 TO 4 DI
LC .1520 FOR K=0 TO 5 : FOR P=0 TO 12 ID
FM .1530 PRINT#1,A(I,J,K,P) DP
FC .1540 NEXT P,K,J,I EJ
EL .1550 PRINT#1 : CLOSE 1 NE
CM .1560 RETURN IM
NK .1570 :REM - - - - - EO
PO .1580 REM FILL MOVE ARRAY INITIALLY NC
OC .1590 :REM - - - - - EO
CG .1600 FOR X=0 TO 3 : FOR Y=0 TO 4 IA

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•1610 FOR Z=0 TO 5
•1620 A(X,Y,Z,0)=X+Y+Z
•1630 IF X<>0 THEN FOR P=1 TO X : A(X,Y,Z
,P)=1 : NEXT P
•1640 IF Y<>0 THEN FOR P=4 TO Y+3:A(X,Y,Z
,P)=1:NEXT P
•1650 IF Z<>0 THEN FOR P=8 TO Z+7:A(X,Y,Z
,P)=1:NEXT P
•1660 NEXT Z,Y,X
•1670 RETURN
•1680 :REM - - - - -
•1690 REM FILL MOVE ARRAY FROM FILE
•1700 :REM - - - - -
•1710 INPUT"LOAD FROM WHAT FILE";F$
•1720 OPEN 1,8,8,F$+" ,S,R" : GOSUB 2500
•1730 FOR I=0 TO 3 : FOR J=0 TO 4
•1740 FOR K=0 TO 5 : FOR P=0 TO 12
•1750 INPUT#1,A(I,J,K,P)
•1760 NEXT P,K,J,I : CLOSE 1
•1770 RETURN
•1780 :REM - - - - -
•1790 REM USER PLAYS
•1800 :REM - - - - -
•1810 B(1)=X : B(2)=Y : B(3)=Z
•1820 FOR J=1 TO 5 : PRINT SP$ :NEXT J
•1830 LL=10 : GOSUB 2400
•1840 PRINT "ROW 1 =" ;X
•1850 PRINT "ROW 2 =" ;Y
•1860 PRINT "ROW 3 =" ;Z
•1870 PRINT "[3" "]<PRESS M TO GO TO MENU
>"
•1880 PRINT "[DOWN]"SP$"[UP]"
•1890 INPUT "PICK FROM WHICH ROW";RW$
•1900 :REM M = BACK TO MENU & RESTART
•1910 IF RW$="M" THEN 160
•1920 RW=VAL(RW$)
•1930 IF RW<1 OR RW>3 THEN 1820
•1940 :REM 0 = EMPTY ROW
•1950 IF B(RW)=0 THEN 1820
•1960 LL=17 : GOSUB 2400
•1970 PRINT SP$"[UP]"
•1980 PRINT "TAKE HOW MANY FROM ROW";RW;
•1990 INPUT TK$ : IF TK$="M" THEN 160
•2000 TK=VAL(TK$)
•2010 :REM TAKE TOO MANY?
•2020 IF TK>B(RW) THEN 1960
•2030 :REM CHOOSE A DIFFERENT ROW
•2040 IF TK<1 THEN 1820
•2050 B(RW)=B(RW)-TK
•2060 X=B(1) : Y=B(2) : Z=B(3)
•2070 LL=5 : GOSUB 2400
•2080 PRINT "USER: " ;X;Y;Z
•2090 RETURN
•2100 :REM - - - - -
•2110 REM READ KEYBOARD
•2120 :REM - - - - -
•2130 PRINT : PRINT SP$,SP$ : PRINT L$
•2140 PRINT "PRESS <C> FOR RANDOM COMPUTE

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JA R TO PLAY[15" "]AGAINST ELMAC" KD
HH •2150 PRINT"PRESS <P> TO PLAY AGAINST ELM DI
AC[27" "]"
MH •2160 PRINT "PRESS <L> TO LOAD THE MOVE A JK
RRAY FROM[15" "]DISK"
HK •2170 PRINT "PRESS <D> TO DISPLAY THE MOV KB
E ARRAY[22" "]"
DC •2180 PRINT "PRESS <S> TO SAVE THE MOVE A
PJ RRAY TO DISK" : PRINT : PRINT ED
IM •2190 GET R$ : IF R$="" THEN 2190 LK
EO •2200 PRINT R$ BG
MC •2205 :REM MODE CHANGE IL
EO •2210 MDCHG=TRUE EJ
GH •2220 :REM RANDOM COMPUTER PLAYS HM
IH •2230 IF R$="C" THEN PL=1 : RETURN CK
DI •2240 :REM USER PLAYS KA
ID •2250 IF R$="P" THEN PL=2 : RETURN CO
CD •2255 :REM DISPLAY THE MOVE ARRAY IM
EM •2260 IF R$<"D" THEN 2290 GJ
IM •2270 IF F0=0 THEN PRINT "THINKING[3"."]"
CL : GOSUB 1580 : F0=1 OK
GF •2280 GOSUB 1360 : RETURN DK
CL •2285 :REM SAVE THE MOVE ARRAY JJ
OP •2290 IF R$="S" THEN GOSUB 1450 :RETURN BP
DN •2300 :REM LOAD THE MOVE ARRAY FK
DB •2310 IF R$="L" THEN GOSUB 1690 : F0=1 :
BL RETURN KD
DH •2320 GOTO 2130 :REM BAD KEY LI
DL •2400 REM LOCATE CURSOR AT COLUMN ONE OF
LINE LL (LL=1 TO 24) MJ
DG •2410 POKE 214,LL-1 : PRINT NE
KB •2420 RETURN IM
MG •2500 REM CHECK DISK ERROR STATUS OE
JP •2510 INPUT#15,EN,EM$,ET,ES BD
MC •2520 IF EN<20 THEN 2550 KP
EE •2530 PRINT EN;EM$;ET;ES : CLOSE 15 : CLO
NI SE 1 : GOTO 120 BH
LO •2540 :REM NO ERROR OM
BH •2550 RETURN IM

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## TREASURE WHEEL FROM PAGE 31

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•10 REM ***** CE
JM •20 REM ** TREASURE WHEEL ** PF
EA •30 REM *** BY *** CO
IO •40 REM **** BOB BLACKMER **** DG
GG •50 REM *** 6118 S. BRIAR BAYOU *** NF
NJ •60 REM ** HOUSTON, TX 77072 ** EP
BG •70 REM ***** CE
AN •80 DATA100,1000,-1,400,200,500,0,300,100
IM ,1000,TILT,400,200,500,LOSE A TURN,300 BP
HC •90 DATA PLAYER #,ENTER LETTER,F1 TO SPIN
AI ,F3 TO SOLVE,!!WAY TO GO!! PJ
HC •100 DATA PERSON,PLACE,THING,PHRASE,TITLE CJ
HP •110 REM **** DATA FOR PERSON **** HB
•120 DATA ALEXANDER THE GREAT,CHRISTOPHER

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COLUMBUS, ASTRONAUT, POSTMASTER, MAGELLAN	MN	•460 RESTORE:FORL=1TO8:READWH(L):NEXT	DN
•130 DATA RONALD REAGAN, PETE ROSE, SYLVESTER STALLONE, JIMMY CARTER, JOHNNY CARSON	JG	•470 FORL=1TO13:READWH\$(L):NEXT:FORL=1TO5:READCG\$(L):NEXT	IA
•140 DATA KERMIT THE FROG, ELVIS PRESLEY, NUCLEAR SCIENTIST, REGISTERED NURSE	PJ	•480 GOTO540	CN
•150 DATA DOLLY PARTON, CAPTAIN KANGAROO, JOHN GLENN, ROGER STAUBACH, JOHN BYNER	PJ	•490 CK=0:PRINT"[CLEAR]LOADING ML DATA[3".]":FORL=828TO980:READA:POKEL,A:CK=CK+A:NEXT	HN
•160 DATA BURT REYNOLDS	CM	•500 IFCK<>20211THENPRINT"[DOWN]ERROR- CHECK ML DATA STATEMENTS":END	DE
•170 REM ***** DATA FOR PLACE *****	EL	•510 CK=0:PRINT"[CLEAR]LOADING SPRITE DATA":FORL=12288TO12864:READA:POKEL,A:CK=CK+A:NEXT	ON
•180 DATA WEST GERMANY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ASTRODOME, NEW ENGLAND, KENTUCKY	AJ	•520 IFCK<>9993THENPRINT"[DOWN]ERROR- CHECK SPRITE DATA STATEMENTS":END	PG
•190 DATA HAWAIIAN ISLANDS, GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS, NORTH DAKOTA, CANDY STORE	CB	•530 A=1:RETURN	PA
•200 DATA MOVIE THEATER, WEST POINT, BEAUTY PARLOR, SHOPPING MALL, BOWLING ALLEY	BG	•540 V=53248:S=54272:P=192:Q=193:PR=65520:N=781:E=RND(-TI):SP\$="[13" "]"	GF
•210 DATA MASSACHUSETTS, HOUSTON, DISNEYLAND, NIAGARA FALLS, MOUNT RUSHMORE	PA	•550 GOSUB1420:X=9:Y=24:U=1:SC(1)=0:SC(2)=0:FORL=1TO26:U\$(L)="":NEXT	JN
•220 DATA CENTRAL AMERICA	GH	•560 POKEV+39,0:POKEV+40,7:POKEV+41,7:POKEV+3,108:POKEV+5,108:POKEV+2,114	NB
•230 REM ***** DATA FOR THING *****	KC	•570 POKEV+4,139:POKEV,116:POKEV+1,101:POKEV+21,7	GN
•240 DATA LOOSELEAF PAPER, ASHTRAY, TELEVISION SET, COFFEE TABLE, FOUNTAIN PEN	GC	•580 POKE2041,P:POKE2042,Q:POKE2040,Q+7	FF
•250 DATA THREE PIECE SUIT, LAWNMOWER, COMPUTER, MAGAZINE, STEERING WHEEL	DD	•590 FORL=STOS+24:POKEL,0:NEXT:POKES+24,143:POKES+18,129:POKES+14,129	KE
•260 DATA BARBECUE GRILL, AUTOMOBILE, MOTOR CYCLE, PARKING GARAGE, WATER COOLER	LG	•600 CL=FRE(0):REM ***** SPIN ??? *****	IP
•270 DATA HARDCOVER BOOK, COFFEE MUG, BEER STEIN, STEREO RADIO, ROLLTOP DESK	MG	•610 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,14:POKEN+1,26:SYSPR:PRINT"[CYAN]"WH\$(9);A	AC
•280 REM ***** DATA FOR PHRASE *****	LJ	•620 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,16:POKEN+1,26:SYSPR:PRINT"[CYAN]"WH\$(11)	CK
•290 DATA NEVER ON SUNDAY, ONCE IN A BLUE MOON, THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM	BC	•630 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,18:POKEN+1,26:SYSPR:PRINT"[CYAN]"WH\$(12)	HN
•300 DATA NEW AND IMPROVED, SHARP AS A TACK	GL	•640 POKE198,0:WAIT198,1:GETAN\$:IFAN\$<>"[F1]"ANDAN\$<>"[F3]"THEN640	JC
•310 DATA A STITCH IN TIME SAVES NINE, SWEET LAND OF LIBERTY, PAR FOR THE COURSE	GO	•650 IFAN\$=CHR\$(134)THEN850	DP
•320 DATA PRETTY AS A PICTURE, NUTTY AS A FRUITCAKE, OUT ON A LIMB	DB	•660 GOSUB1080:GOSUB910:IFB=3THENGOSUB1100:A=A+1:IFA=3THENA=1	BD
•330 DATA TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT, FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD, WATCH YOUR STEP	BJ	•670 IFB=3THENGOSUB830:GOTO600	OO
•340 DATA DAY IN AND DAY OUT, ONCE UPON A TIME, TO EACH HIS OWN	GK	•680 IFB=7THENFORT=1TO3:GOSUB810:NEXT:A=A+1:IFA=3THENA=1	FL
•350 DATA A WATCHED POT NEVER BOILS, APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS	BO	•690 IFB=7THEN600	PO
•360 DATA UP A CREEK WITHOUT A PADDLE	CB	•700 REM ***** ENTER YOUR LETTER *****	JD
•370 REM ***** DATA FOR TITLE *****	GO	•710 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,12:POKEN+1,29:SYSPR:PRINTWH\$(B):GOTO720	AL
•380 DATA THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, GHOSTBUSTERS, HEAD FOREMAN	IB	•720 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,14:POKEN+1,26:SYSPR:PRINTWH\$(9);A	NJ
•390 DATA MASTER OF CEREMONIES, SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, NEW YORK TIMES, RAMBO	AF	•730 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,16:POKEN+1,25:SYSPR:PRINTWH\$(10)	EG
•400 DATA QUEEN OF ENGLAND, CANNONBALL RUN, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, STAR WARS	DN	•740 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,18:POKEN+1,28:SYSPR:INPUTA\$:IFASC(A\$)<65ORASC(A\$)>91THEN740	DC
•410 DATA GONE WITH THE WIND, MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL, VICE PRESIDENT, FAMILY CIRCLE	ED	•750 IFLEN(A\$)>1THEN740	DF
•420 DATA UNITED STATES SENATOR, GOVERNOR OF MINNESOTA, SPORTS ILLUSTRATED	PF	•760 GOSUB1080:L\$=A\$:GOSUB1000:IFW=1THENW=0:GOTO710	LO
•430 DATA DUKE OF EARL	HE	•770 GOSUB1180:IFG=0THENGOSUB810:GOTO790	IC
•440 SC(3)=0:SC(4)=0:SC(5)=0:SC(6)=0:A=1	JP	•780 IFG>0THENGOSUB1100:GOSUB1230:A=A-1	IO
•450 DIMWH(8),WH\$(13),U\$(26),CG\$(5):FORL=1TO126:READC\$:NEXT:GOSUB490:C\$=""	DG	•790 A=A+1:IFA=3THENA=1	MD
		•800 GOTO600	CC

•810 POKES,180:POKES+1,5:POKES+5,14:POKES+6,146:POKES+4,17:FORZZ=1TO300:NEXT	BP	•1190 IFL\$=K\$THENPOKEN+2,0:POKEN,2:POKEN+1,YY:SYSPR:PRINTL\$:GOSUB1220:YY=YY+1:G=G+1:NEXT	KF
•820 POKES+4,16:RETURN	CD	•1200 IFL\$<>K\$THENYY=YY+1:NEXT	EC
•830 POKES,180:POKES+1,5:POKES+5,14:POKES+6,146:POKES+4,17:FORZZ=255TO1STEP-1	GI	•1210 RETURN	IM
•840 POKES+1,ZZ:NEXT:POKES+4,16:RETURN	BF	•1220 POKES+1,129:POKES+5,9:POKES+6,5:POKES+4,17:FORZZ=1TO300:NEXT:POKES+4,16:RETURN	KN
•850 REM ***** SOLVE PUZZLE *****	IB	•1230 K=1112:L=1:REM * LETTERS FILLED? *	ML
•860 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,4:POKEN+1,6:SYSPR:IN PUTA\$	MO	•1240 IFPEEK(K)=32ANDMID\$(B\$,L,1)<>"THE NRETURN	ON
•870 IFA\$=B\$THENSC(A)=SC(A)+100:GOSUB1130:GOTO1270	HB	•1250 K=K+1:L=L+1:IFL>LEN(B\$)THENSC(A)=SC(A)+100:GOTO1270	GL
•880 IFA\$<>B\$THENA\$="" :POKEN+2,0:POKEN,4:POKEN+1,6:SYSPR:PRINTSP\$SP\$SP\$	MD	•1260 GOTO1240	FA
•890 GOSUB810:GOSUB810:A=A+1:IFA=3THENA=1	LA	•1270 PRINT"[CLEAR][HOME][DOWN]"TAB(11)"PUZZLE IS SOLVED":PRINTTAB(12)WH\$(13):PRINT"[3"[DOWN]]"TAB(11)WH\$(9)A"WINS!"	HJ
•900 GOTO600	CC	•1280 IFA=1THENSC(3)=SC(3)+1:SC(5)=SC(5)+SC(1)	GK
•910 REM ***** SPIN THE WHEEL *****	CH	•1290 IFA=2THENSC(4)=SC(4)+1:SC(6)=SC(6)+SC(2)	JC
•920 POKES+1,10:POKES+5,5:POKES+6,67	PF	•1300 POKE53269,0	PL
•930 FORLO=1TOINT(RND(1)*7)+4:POKES+4,33	ND	•1310 PRINT"[DOWN]"TAB(8)"GAMES [RVSON]WON[RVSOFF]"TAB(19)"TOTAL [RVSON]POINTS[RVSOFF]"	HE
•940 FORL=114TO89STEP-6:POKEV+2,L:POKEV+4,L+25:NEXT:P=P+2:IFP=200THENP=192:POKES+4,32	MC	•1320 PRINT"[DOWN]"TAB(4);WH\$(9)"1:"SC(3)TAB(25)SC(5)	NE
•950 POKE2041,P:POKES+4,33	HL	•1330 PRINT"[DOWN]"TAB(4);WH\$(9)"2:"SC(4)TAB(25)SC(6)	FN
•960 FORL=114TO89STEP-6:POKEV+4,L:POKEV+2,L+25:NEXT:Q=Q+2:IFQ=201THENQ=193:POKES+4,32	BK	•1340 IFSC(3)+SC(4)=10THENPRINT"[DOWN][DOWN]"TAB(11)"ANOTHER SET (Y/N)?:CP=1:GOTO1360	BE
•970 POKE2042,Q:NEXTLO:E=INT(RND(1)*7)+3:FORL=1TOE:GOSUB990:SYS828:NEXT	CI	•1350 PRINT"[DOWN][DOWN]"TAB(11)"PLAY AGAIN (Y/N)?"	OK
•980 B=PEEK(684)-191:RETURN	NP	•1360 FORL=10TO150STEP10:POKES,180:POKES+1,L:POKES+5,14:POKES+6,146:POKES+4,17	KM
•990 POKES+1,10:POKES+5,5:POKES+6,67:POKES+4,33:POKES+4,32:RETURN	DD	•1370 FORZZ=200TO225:POKES+1,ZZ:NEXT:NEXT:POKES+4,16	DJ
•1000 REM ***** USED LETTERS *****	FC	•1380 POKE198,0:WAIT198,1:GETB\$:IFB\$<>"Y"ANDB\$<>"N"THEN1380	BE
•1010 T=1	DA	•1390 IFCP=1ANDB\$="Y"THENPOKE53269,0:RUN	CP
•1020 IFU\$(T)=L\$THENW=1:RETURN	FL	•1400 IFB\$="Y"THENPOKE53269,0:RESTORE:GOTO460	EF
•1030 IFU\$(T)<>L\$THENT=T+1:IFT=27THEN1050	GF	•1410 END	IC
•1040 GOTO1020	FA	•1420 PRINT"[CLEAR][HOME][5"[DOWN]]"	NI
•1050 U\$(U)=L\$:U=U+1:POKEN+2,0:POKEN,X:POKEN+1,Y:SYSPR:PRINTL\$:Y=Y+1:IFY=37THENX=10:Y=24	NN	•1430 PRINTTAB(7)"[BLACK][12"[c P]]"	ID
•1060 IFX=10ANDY=37THENEND	DE	•1440 PRINTTAB(6)"[YELLOW][RVSON][sEP][5""]][RVSOFF] [RVSON][5""]][c *][RVSOFF][4""]][CYAN]USED LETTERS"	OP
•1070 RETURN	IM	•1450 PRINTTAB(5)"[YELLOW][RVSON][sEP][6""]][RVSOFF] [YELLOW][RVSON][6""]][c *][RVSOFF][3""]][BLACK][13"[s C]]"	LC
•1080 REM ***** CLEAR PLAYER AREA *****	IJ	•1460 PRINTTAB(4)"[YELLOW][RVSON][sEP][7""]][RVSOFF][BLACK] [YELLOW][RVSON][7""]][c *]"	AB
•1090 FORL=12TO18STEP2:POKEN+2,0:POKEN,L:POKEN+1,24:SYSPR:PRINTSP\$:NEXT:RETURN	FB	•1470 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][RVSON][sEP][4""]][RVSOFF][sEP][GREEN][RVSON][8""]][YELLOW][RVSOFF][c *][RVSON][4""]][c *]"	GM
•1100 REM ***** PLAYERS SCORE *****	KF		
•1110 FORL=1TOG:SC(A)=SC(A)+WH(PEEK(684)-191):NEXT	JF		
•1120 IFB=3THENSC(A)=0	GE		
•1130 IFA=1THENPOKEN+2,0:POKEN,21:POKEN+1,32:SYSPR:PRINT"[6""]"	LC		
•1140 IFA=1THENPOKEN+2,0:POKEN,21:POKEN+1,32:SYSPR:PRINTSC(A)	AM		
•1150 IFA=2THENPOKEN+2,0:POKEN,23:POKEN+1,32:SYSPR:PRINT"[6""]"	GJ		
•1160 IFA=2THENPOKEN+2,0:POKEN,23:POKEN+1,32:SYSPR:PRINTSC(A)	HB		
•1170 RETURN	IM		
•1180 YY=8:G=0:PRINT"[CYAN]":FORL=1TOLEN(B\$):K\$=MID\$(B\$,L,1)	IM		

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•1480 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][RVSON][4" "[RVSOFF][sEP][GREEN][RVSON][6" "[GREEN][RVSON][4" "[YELLOW][RVSOFF][c *][RVSON][4" "[RVSOFF][BLACK] [13"[s C]"	AL	•1730 DATA 3,202,202,202,142,4,208,238,250,7,238,250,7,173,250,7	OC
•1490 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][RVSON][4" "[GREEN][8" "[RVSON][4" "[YELLOW][4" "[GREEN][5" "[BLACK][RVSOFF][s U][s I][GREEN][RVSON][5" "[YELLOW][4" "[GREEN][5" "[BLACK][RVSOFF][s J][s K][GREEN][RVSON][5" "[YELLOW][4" "	NI	•1740 DATA 201,201,208,5,169,193,141,250,7,173,249,7,141,172,2,96	OE
•1500 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][RVSON][4" "[GREEN][5" "[BLACK][RVSOFF][s U][s I][GREEN][RVSON][5" "[YELLOW][4" "	FE	•1750 DATA 173,250,7,141,172,2,96,234,234,234,169,3,141,170,2,169	AM
•1510 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][RVSON][4" "[GREEN][5" "[BLACK][RVSOFF][s J][s K][GREEN][RVSON][5" "[YELLOW][4" "	JH	•1760 DATA 255,141,168,2,206,168,2,173,168,2,201,0,208,246,206,170	GD
•1520 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][RVSON][4" "[GREEN][8" "[RVSON][4" "[YELLOW][4" "	NI	•1770 DATA 2,173,170,2,201,0,208,231,96	DK
•1530 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][RVSON][4" "[c *][GREEN][6" "[GREEN][RVSON][4" "[YELLOW][sEP][4" "	FD	•1780 REM ***** SPRITE DATA *****	LF
•1540 PRINTTAB(3)"[YELLOW][c *][RVSON][4" "[c *][GREEN][8" "[YELLOW][sEP][4" "[RVSOFF][sEP]"	OJ	•1790 DATA 0,16,0,48,16,12,0,80,0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,84,0,0,0,0	HH
•1550 PRINTTAB(4)"[YELLOW][c *][RVSON][16" "[RVSOFF][sEP]"	JH	•1800 DATA 0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,84,0	OC
•1560 PRINTTAB(5)"[YELLOW][c *][RVSON][3" "][CATEGORY][3" "][RVSOFF][sEP]"	KH	•1810 DATA 1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,0,48,16,12,0,80	KP
•1570 PRINTTAB(6)"[YELLOW][c *][RVSON][5" "][s M][s N][5" "][RVSOFF][sEP]"	GI	•1820 DATA 0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84	KL
•1580 PRINTTAB(7)"[BLACK][c A][10"[s C]"[c S][3" "][CYAN]"WH\$(9)"1:"PRINTTAB(7)"[BLACK][s B][10" "[s B]"	LM	•1830 DATA 0,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1	EC
•1590 PRINTTAB(7)"[BLACK][c Z][10"[s C]"[c X][3" "][CYAN]"WH\$(9)"2:"	CJ	•1840 DATA 0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,0,48,84,12,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0	BA
•1600 Z=INT(RND(1)*5)+1:POKEN+2,0:POKEN,22:POKEN+1,10:SYSPR:PRINT"[RVSON][CYAN]"CG\$(Z)	GA	•1850 DATA 0,0,0,40,0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,40,0,0,0,0,0,64,0,0,64,0,0	DF
•1610 K=Z-1:IFK=0THENFORL=1TOINT(RND(1)*20)+1:READB\$:NEXT:YY=8:GOTO1630	BI	•1860 DATA 64,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,84,0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,16,0,0,0,0	CA
•1620 FORL=1TOK*20:READB\$:NEXT:FORL=1TOINT(RND(1)*20)+1:READB\$:NEXT:YY=8	CO	•1870 DATA 0,4,0,48,20,12,0,36,0,0,132,0,1,4,0,1,85,0,0,4,0,0,0,0	IH
•1630 K=LEN(B\$):FORL=1TOK	GK	•1880 DATA 0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,84,0	OC
•1640 IFMID\$(B\$,L,1)<>" THENPOKEN+2,0:POKEN,3:POKEN+1,YY:SYSPR:PRINT"[BLACK]-":YY=YY+1:NEXT:GOTO1660	HL	•1890 DATA 1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,40,0,0,48,130,12,0,2	DK
•1650 POKEN+2,0:POKEN,3:POKEN+1,YY:PRINT" ":YY=YY+1:NEXT	KO	•1900 DATA 0,0,4,0,0,40,0,0,128,0,1,85,0,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1	MA
•1660 RETURN	IM	•1910 DATA 0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1	CD
•1670 REM ***** ML DATA *****	IJ	•1920 DATA 0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0,0,170,0,48,128,12,0,168,0,0,2,0,0,2,0,0	NG
•1680 DATA 162,115,160,140,142,2,208,140,4,208,136,202,224,90,208,9	KF	•1930 DATA 130,0,0,84,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0	FO
•1690 DATA 202,202,202,142,2,208,76,91,3,32,182,3,76,64,3,238	JH	•1940 DATA 84,0,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0	CC
•1700 DATA 249,7,238,249,7,173,249,7,201,200,208,5,169,192,141,249	DP	•1950 DATA 133,74,149,132,72,16,132,74,148,132,64,144,132,64,144,165	FJ
•1710 DATA 7,173,27,212,201,128,16,56,162,115,160,140,142,4,208,140	GJ	•1960 DATA 74,149,0,0,0,0,40,0,0,68,0,0,170,0,0,130,0,0,130,0,0,130,0,0	BE
•1720 DATA 2,208,136,202,224,90,208,3,76,141,3,32,182,3,76,120	OD	•1970 DATA 0,0,170,74,145,34,72,153,34,73,21,34,74,21,34,73	MB
		•1980 DATA 19,33,136,145,0,0,0,0,170,0,49,1,12,0,1,0,0,21,0,0,1,0,1	JJ
		•1990 DATA 1,0,0,170,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0	LJ
		•2000 DATA 84,0,0,0,0,0,84,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,1,1,0,0,84,0,0	CC
		•2010 DATA 0,126,0,0,60,0,0,60,0,0,24,0,0,24,0,0,24,0,0,24,0,0,24,0,0,24,0,0	GE

•2020 DATA 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,  
 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0  
 •2030 DATA 0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,  
 0,44

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Starting address in hex: C000  
 Ending address in hex: CACF  
 SYS to Start: 49152

C000: A0 00 B9 D0 C6 99 00 08 93  
 C008: B9 D0 C7 99 00 09 B9 D0 87  
 C010: C8 99 00 0A B9 D0 C9 99 6A  
 C018: 00 0B C8 D0 E5 A9 00 8D D9  
 C020: 21 D0 8D 20 D0 A9 9A 20 F4  
 C028: D2 FF A9 93 20 D2 FF A0 CB  
 C030: 0F A2 0B 18 20 F0 FF A0 B6  
 C038: 00 B9 95 C6 20 D2 FF C8 0A  
 C040: C9 44 D0 F5 A0 0A A2 0D 6F  
 C048: 18 20 F0 FF A0 00 B9 9F 6B  
 C050: C6 20 D2 FF C8 C9 3F D0 AC  
 C058: F5 A9 00 85 C6 A5 C6 F0 A1  
 C060: FC AD 77 02 C9 53 F0 0B 9D  
 C068: C9 4D F0 0E C9 46 F0 11 90  
 C070: 4C 59 C0 A9 0C 85 17 4C 75  
 C078: 85 C0 A9 0A 85 17 4C 85 E0  
 C080: C0 A9 08 85 17 A9 00 8D C6  
 C088: 18 D4 A9 7F 8D 13 D4 A9 BD  
 C090: 7F 8D 14 D4 A9 02 8D 0F CE  
 C098: D4 A9 81 8D 12 D4 20 7A A7  
 C0A0: C5 20 40 C5 20 6B C5 20 FD  
 C0A8: B9 C5 20 DC C4 A0 00 B9 44  
 C0B0: C9 C6 99 28 D0 C8 C0 07 64  
 C0B8: D0 F5 A9 02 85 14 78 AD EA  
 C0C0: 37 C6 8D 14 03 AD 38 C6 10  
 C0C8: 8D 15 03 58 20 F0 C0 20 B8  
 C0D0: 54 C2 20 20 C3 20 54 C2 23  
 C0D8: 20 20 C3 20 9F C2 20 20 9F  
 C0E0: C3 20 BA C1 20 20 C3 20 65  
 C0E8: FB C0 20 FB C2 4C CC C0 5E  
 C0F0: A6 17 A4 15 88 D0 FD CA 8A  
 C0F8: D0 F8 60 AD 01 DC 29 1F F6  
 C100: 49 1F C9 01 D0 07 85 0B 9B  
 C108: A9 00 85 03 60 C9 02 D0 37  
 C110: 07 85 0B A9 00 85 03 60 3A  
 C118: C9 04 D0 07 85 03 A9 00 EF  
 C120: 85 0B 60 C9 08 D0 07 85 40  
 C128: 03 A9 00 85 0B 60 C9 10 9F  
 C130: 90 03 20 DE C1 60 BD 00 A2  
 C138: D0 C9 1A B0 15 C0 00 F0 64  
 C140: 0C A9 AF 99 03 00 AD 1B 0B  
 C148: D4 99 0B 00 60 A9 08 85 59  
 C150: 03 60 DE 00 D0 60 BD 00 81  
 C158: D0 C9 FF 90 15 C0 00 F0 4A  
 C160: 0C A9 55 99 03 00 AD 1B D0  
 C168: D4 99 0B 00 60 A9 04 85 75

C170: 03 60 FE 00 D0 60 BD 01 C2  
 C178: D0 C9 33 B0 15 C0 00 F0 BD  
 C180: 0C A9 AF 99 0B 00 AD 1B 53  
 C188: D4 99 03 00 60 A9 02 85 8B  
 C190: 0B 60 DE 01 D0 60 BD 01 CB  
 C198: D0 C0 00 F0 10 C9 EE 90 74  
 C1A0: 15 A9 55 99 0B 00 AD 1B 22  
 C1A8: D4 99 03 00 60 C9 F2 90 C7  
 C1B0: 05 A9 01 85 0B 60 FE 01 51  
 C1B8: D0 60 A0 00 A2 00 A5 03 D5  
 C1C0: F0 08 C9 04 F0 14 20 56 03  
 C1C8: C1 60 A5 0B F0 07 C9 01 5E  
 C1D0: F0 04 20 96 C1 60 20 76 35  
 C1D8: C1 60 20 36 C1 60 85 FB F4  
 C1E0: AD 15 D0 29 02 D0 6C AD 8A  
 C1E8: 00 D0 8D 02 D0 AD 01 D0 99  
 C1F0: 8D 03 D0 A5 FB C9 11 F0 BF  
 C1F8: 1E C9 12 F0 2C C9 14 F0 DE  
 C200: 3A C9 18 D0 4E AD 02 D0 BB  
 C208: C9 EE B0 47 69 10 8D 02 C1  
 C210: D0 A9 08 85 13 D0 34 AD DD  
 C218: 03 D0 C9 35 90 35 E9 02 9C  
 C220: 8D 03 D0 A9 01 85 13 D0 95  
 C228: 22 AD 03 D0 C9 E6 B0 23 50  
 C230: 69 07 8D 03 D0 A9 02 85 33  
 C238: 13 D0 10 AD 02 D0 C9 1D 93  
 C240: 90 11 E9 03 8D 02 D0 A9 D8  
 C248: 04 85 13 AD 15 D0 09 02 83  
 C250: 8D 15 D0 60 AD 15 D0 29 E0  
 C258: 02 D0 01 60 A5 13 C9 02 11  
 C260: F0 13 C9 04 F0 1A C9 08 0F  
 C268: F0 21 AD 03 D0 C9 32 F0 E8  
 C270: 25 CE 03 D0 60 AD 03 D0 1A  
 C278: C9 EE F0 1A EE 03 D0 60 5F  
 C280: AD 02 D0 C9 19 F0 0F CE B2  
 C288: 02 D0 60 AD 02 D0 C9 FF 06  
 C290: F0 04 EE 02 D0 60 AD 15 6A  
 C298: D0 29 FD 8D 15 D0 60 AD 12  
 C2A0: 15 D0 29 FC F0 3C A0 02 7C  
 C2A8: AD 15 D0 39 41 C6 F0 2C 9A  
 C2B0: B9 49 C6 AA B9 03 00 C9 AB  
 C2B8: AA B0 0A C9 55 90 09 20 F6  
 C2C0: 36 C1 4C C8 C2 20 56 C1 C8  
 C2C8: B9 0B 00 C9 AA B0 0A C9 86  
 C2D0: 55 90 09 20 76 C1 4C DC 41  
 C2D8: C2 20 96 C1 C8 C0 08 D0 76  
 C2E0: C7 60 A9 00 8D 18 D4 A5 D2  
 C2E8: 15 C9 9C 90 04 E9 0A 85 72  
 C2F0: 15 20 37 C4 20 B6 C4 20 DD  
 C2F8: DC C4 60 A5 02 F0 20 C6 7A  
 C300: 02 D0 1C A9 00 8D 18 D4 13  
 C308: A0 02 B9 F8 07 C9 25 D0 24  
 C310: 09 AD 15 D0 39 39 C6 8D 73  
 C318: 15 D0 C8 C0 08 D0 EB 60 AC  
 C320: AD 1E D0 29 01 D0 5B AD C0  
 C328: 15 D0 29 02 D0 01 60 A0 0C  
 C330: 02 AD 15 D0 39 41 C6 F0 F7  
 C338: 43 B9 F8 07 C9 25 F0 3C 51

C340: B9 49 C6 AA AD 02 D0 DD 13  
C348: 00 D0 90 30 FD 00 D0 C9 72  
C350: 12 B0 29 AD 03 D0 DD 01 9C  
C358: D0 90 21 FD 01 D0 C9 0C 80  
C360: B0 1A A9 25 99 F8 07 AD 41  
C368: 15 D0 29 FD 8D 15 D0 A9 92  
C370: 0F 8D 18 D4 A9 19 85 02 44  
C378: 20 4B C4 60 C8 C0 08 D0 6B  
C380: B0 60 A9 00 8D 18 D4 CE 84  
C388: E9 04 A9 0F 8D 18 D4 78 22  
C390: A9 31 8D 14 03 A9 EA 8D 32  
C398: 15 03 58 A9 00 8D 1D D0 2E  
C3A0: A9 25 8D F8 07 20 37 C4 19  
C3A8: A9 00 8D 18 D4 78 AD 37 2A  
C3B0: C6 8D 14 03 AD 38 C6 8D 56  
C3B8: 15 03 58 AD E9 04 C9 30 BE  
C3C0: F0 04 20 DC C4 60 A0 00 78  
C3C8: B9 56 C6 99 EC 05 C8 C0 B4  
C3D0: 09 D0 F5 A9 00 8D 15 D0 BD  
C3D8: 20 8C C4 20 37 C4 A9 00 10  
C3E0: 85 C6 A5 C6 D0 0A AD 01 23  
C3E8: DC 29 10 F0 16 4C E2 C3 F8  
C3F0: AD 77 02 C9 85 D0 05 68 A5  
C3F8: 68 4C 1D C0 C9 51 D0 DE 56  
C400: 4C E2 FC 20 0D C4 20 40 7E  
C408: C5 20 DC C4 60 A0 00 A9 3A  
C410: F0 99 EC 05 C8 C0 09 D0 EF  
C418: F8 60 C6 14 D0 16 A9 02 DE  
C420: 85 14 AD F8 07 C9 23 F0 45  
C428: 06 EE F8 07 4C 31 EA A9 2F  
C430: 20 8D F8 07 4C 31 EA A0 E6  
C438: 02 98 48 A0 00 A2 00 88 E6  
C440: D0 FD CA D0 FA 68 A8 88 3F  
C448: D0 EF 60 A4 16 A2 03 FE C8  
C450: 71 04 BD 71 04 C9 3A 90 8D  
C458: 0B A9 30 9D 71 04 CA 10 2B  
C460: EE 4C 68 C4 88 D0 E6 60 69  
C468: A9 93 20 D2 FF A0 00 8C C5  
C470: 18 D4 B9 76 C6 20 D2 FF 47  
C478: C8 C9 00 D0 F5 20 37 C4 ED  
C480: 20 37 C4 20 37 C4 20 37 10  
C488: C4 4C E2 FC A2 FF E8 E0 E5  
C490: 04 F0 22 BD 71 04 DD D9 92  
C498: 05 F0 F3 90 18 AD 71 04 4E  
C4A0: 8D D9 05 AD 72 04 8D DA 99  
C4A8: 05 AD 73 04 8D DB 05 AD EE  
C4B0: 74 04 8D DC 05 60 E6 16 F5  
C4B8: A5 18 C9 2F F0 05 E6 18 64  
C4C0: 4C C7 C4 A9 26 85 18 A2 A9  
C4C8: 02 FE 61 05 BD 61 05 C9 1E  
C4D0: 3A 90 08 A9 30 9D 61 05 81  
C4D8: CA 10 EE 60 A0 02 A5 18 63  
C4E0: 99 F8 07 C8 C0 08 D0 F8 D5  
C4E8: A9 20 8D F8 07 A9 24 8D 9B  
C4F0: F9 07 A0 02 B9 49 C6 AA 09  
C4F8: B9 B9 C6 9D 00 D0 B9 C1 1D  
C500: C6 9D 01 D0 C8 C0 08 D0 98  
C508: EB A9 19 8D 00 D0 A9 87 46

C510: 8D 01 D0 A9 01 8D 1D D0 95  
C518: AD 1E D0 A0 00 A2 00 A9 A1  
C520: AF 99 03 00 AD 1B D4 99 A3  
C528: 0B 00 C8 CA D0 FD C0 08 5E  
C530: D0 ED A9 AF 85 03 A9 00 7A  
C538: 85 0B A9 FD 8D 15 D0 60 44  
C540: A9 33 8D E9 04 A9 30 8D FF  
C548: 71 04 8D 61 05 8D 72 04 B5  
C550: 8D 62 05 8D 73 04 8D 74 4C  
C558: 04 A9 31 8D 63 05 A9 01 D7  
C560: 85 16 A9 FF 85 15 A9 26 10  
C568: 85 18 60 A9 30 8D D9 05 AC  
C570: 8D DA 05 8D DB 05 8D DC B6  
C578: 05 60 A9 93 20 D2 FF A0 AE  
C580: 00 A9 0B 99 00 D8 99 00 41  
C588: D9 99 00 DA 99 00 DB C8 15  
C590: D0 F1 A9 01 8D 71 D8 8D 63  
C598: 61 D9 8D D9 D9 8D 72 D8 ED  
C5A0: 8D 62 D9 8D DA D9 8D 73 AD  
C5A8: D8 8D 63 D9 8D DB D9 8D 1D  
C5B0: 74 D8 8D DC D9 8D E9 D8 92  
C5B8: 60 A9 00 85 FB A9 04 85 77  
C5C0: FC A2 00 A0 00 A9 F0 91 2D  
C5C8: FB C8 C0 1F D0 F9 18 A5 F5  
C5D0: FB 69 28 85 FB A5 FC 69 EB  
C5D8: 00 85 FC E8 E0 19 D0 E3 F2  
C5E0: A0 21 A2 01 18 20 F0 FF 6F  
C5E8: A0 00 B9 51 C6 20 D2 FF 4E  
C5F0: C8 C9 45 D0 F5 A0 21 A2 F3  
C5F8: 04 18 20 F0 FF A0 00 B9 80  
C600: 5F C6 20 D2 FF C8 C9 53 FE  
C608: D0 F5 A0 21 A2 07 18 20 72  
C610: F0 FF A0 00 B9 6B C6 20 AD  
C618: D2 FF C8 C9 00 D0 F5 A0 E4  
C620: 21 A2 0A 18 20 F0 FF A0 B7  
C628: 00 B9 71 C6 20 D2 FF C8 D5  
C630: C9 00 D0 F5 60 64 C6 1A 66  
C638: C4 FE FD FB F7 EF DF BF 7D  
C640: 7F 01 02 04 08 10 20 40 3F  
C648: 80 00 02 04 06 08 0A 0C F2  
C650: 0E 53 43 4F 52 45 87 81 E4  
C658: 8D 85 A0 8F 96 85 92 4C 96  
C660: 49 56 45 53 53 50 52 49 D7  
C668: 54 45 53 4C 45 56 45 4C CE  
C670: 00 48 49 47 48 00 20 20 D1  
C678: 49 20 47 49 56 45 20 55 83  
C680: 50 21 21 21 20 2D 20 59 FA  
C688: 4F 55 20 57 49 4E 21 21 7E  
C690: 21 21 21 21 00 47 41 4D EA  
C698: 45 20 53 50 45 45 44 05 75  
C6A0: 53 9A 4C 4F 57 2C 05 4D FF  
C6A8: 9A 45 44 49 55 4D 20 4F 28  
C6B0: 52 20 05 46 9A 41 53 54 F1  
C6B8: 3F 00 00 32 64 96 32 64 BB  
C6C0: 96 00 00 64 64 64 AF AF E3  
C6C8: AF 0A 03 04 0E 03 04 0E AC  
C6D0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 D0  
C6D8: 00 FF 00 00 00 00 00 00 D8



C6E0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 E0 C8B0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B0  
C6E8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 E8 C8B8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B8  
C6F0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F0 C8C0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C0  
C6F8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F8 C8C8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C8  
C700: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C8D0: 00 80 00 01 C0 00 03 E0 F6  
C708: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF 08 C8D8: 00 07 F0 00 0F F8 00 1F F7  
C710: 00 00 00 60 00 00 30 00 A0 C8E0: FC 00 3F FE 00 7F FF 00 9B  
C718: 00 18 00 00 0C 00 00 06 42 C8E8: FF FF 80 00 00 00 00 00 69  
C720: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 20 C8F0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F0  
C728: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 28 C8F8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F8  
C730: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 30 C900: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
C738: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 38 C908: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF 08  
C740: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 40 C910: FC 1F 80 7E 3F 00 3F 7E 28  
C748: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 48 C918: 00 1F FC 00 0F F8 00 07 43  
C750: 18 00 00 18 00 00 18 00 98 C920: F0 00 0F F8 00 1F FC 00 35  
C758: 00 18 00 00 18 00 00 18 A0 C928: 3F 7E 00 7E 3F 00 FC 1F BF  
C760: 00 00 18 00 00 00 00 00 78 C930: 80 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B0  
C768: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 68 C938: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 38  
C770: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 70 C940: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 40  
C778: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 78 C948: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 48  
C780: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 80 C950: 01 C0 00 0F F8 00 3F FE 58  
C788: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF 88 C958: 00 3F FE 00 FF FF 80 FF 17  
C790: 00 00 00 06 00 00 0C 00 A2 C960: FF 80 FF FF 80 3F FE 00 9F  
C798: 00 18 00 00 30 00 00 60 41 C968: 3F FE 00 0F F8 00 01 C0 70  
C7A0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 A0 C970: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 70  
C7A8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 A8 C978: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 78  
C7B0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B0 C980: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 80  
C7B8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B8 C988: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF 88  
C7C0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C0 C990: 00 80 00 03 E0 00 07 F0 EC  
C7C8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C8 C998: 00 0F F8 00 1F FC 00 1F DB  
C7D0: E0 00 00 E0 00 00 00 00 92 C9A0: FC 00 3F FE 00 7F FF 00 5B  
C7D8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 D8 C9A8: 7F FF 00 FF FF 80 FF FF A8  
C7E0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 E0 C9B0: 80 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 31  
C7E8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 E8 C9B8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B8  
C7F0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F0 C9C0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C0  
C7F8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F8 C9C8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C8  
C800: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C9D0: 07 F0 00 0F F8 00 1F FC EC  
C808: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF 08 C9D8: 00 3F FE 00 7F FF 00 FF 96  
C810: CC CC 00 00 00 00 CC CC 43 C9E0: FF 80 7F FF 00 3F FE 00 1F  
C818: 00 00 00 00 CC CC 00 00 B1 C9E8: 1F FC 00 0F F8 00 07 F0 05  
C820: 00 00 CC CC 00 00 00 00 B9 C9F0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F0  
C828: CC CC 00 00 00 00 CC CC 5B C9F8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 F8  
C830: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 30 CA00: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00  
C838: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 38 CA08: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF 08  
C840: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 40 CA10: FF FF 80 FF FF 80 FF FF 11  
C848: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 48 CA18: 80 FF FF 80 FF FF 80 FF 99  
C850: FF 80 00 FF 80 00 FF 80 D1 CA20: FF 80 FF FF 80 FF FF 80 A1  
C858: 00 FF 80 00 FF 80 00 FF 59 CA28: FF FF 80 FF FF 80 FF FF 29  
C860: FF 00 01 FF 00 01 FF 00 62 CA30: 80 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B0  
C868: 01 FF 00 01 FF 00 01 FF 6B CA38: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 38  
C870: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 70 CA40: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 40  
C878: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 78 CA48: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 48  
C880: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 80 CA50: 00 80 00 01 C0 00 03 E0 76  
C888: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 BF 48 CA58: 00 0F F8 00 3F FE 00 FF 9E  
C890: 03 E0 00 03 E0 00 03 E0 3C CA60: FF 80 3F FE 00 0F F8 00 27  
C898: 00 03 E0 00 FF FF 80 FF FC CA68: 03 E0 00 01 C0 00 00 80 8E  
C8A0: FF 80 FF FF 80 03 E0 00 85 CA70: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 70  
C8A8: 03 E0 00 03 E0 00 03 E0 54 CA78: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 78

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CA80: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 80
CA88: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 BF 48
CA90: 00 7F 80 00 FF 80 01 FF 12
CA98: 00 03 FE 00 07 FC 00 0F AD
CAA0: F8 00 1F F0 00 3F E0 00 C9
CAA8: 7F C0 00 FF 80 00 FF 00 69
CAB0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B0
CAB8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 B8
CAC0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C0
CAC8: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C8
    
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•155 A=ASC(F$)
•160 BT=3ANDA
•165 A=(159ANDA)OR(96+32*((T>17)+(T>24)+(
T>30)))
•170 PRINT#15,"M-W"CHR$(0)CHR$(28)CHR$(1)
CHR$(AOR4)
•175 :
•180 REM *****
•185 REM *** PRINT STATUS TO SCREEN ***
•190 REM *****
•195 :
•200 PRINT"[HOME][7"[DOWN]]"TAB(21)T"[LE
FT][4" "]"
•205 IFE<2THENPRINT"[HOME][15"[DOWN]]"TA
B(12)"NO ERROR DETECTED"
•210 IFE>1THENPRINT"[HOME][15"[DOWN]]"TA
B(12)"READ ERROR SENSED"
•215 R$=STR$(TK):IFE<1THENR$=" "
•220 TR$=RIGHT$(R$,2):PRINT"[HOME][11"[DO
WN]]"TAB(22);TR$
•225 IFE<>0AND VAL(TR$)<(T-.5)ORVAL(TR$)>
(T+.5)THEN245
•230 IFE>1ANDT<>INT(T)THENPRINT"[7"[DOWN]
]"TAB(14)"ALIGNMENT OK ":E=0:GOTO275
•235 IFE>1ANDT=INT(T)THENPRINT"[7"[DOWN]
]"TAB(14)"ALIGNMENT BAD":E=0:GOTO275
•240 GOTO250
•245 PRINT"[7"[DOWN]]"TAB(14)"ALIGNMENT
BAD":E=0:GOTO275
•250 PRINT"[7"[DOWN]]"TAB(14)" NOT CERTA
IN "
•255 REM *****
•260 REM ***** READ JOYSTICK *****
•265 REM *****
•270 :
•275 J=NOTPEEK(56320)AND15
•280 IFPEEK(653)THEN410
•285 IF(NOTPEEK(56320)AND16)THEN410
•290 IFJ=4ANDT>1THENC=-1:GOTO340
•295 IFJ=8ANDT<35THENC=1:GOTO340
•300 IFPEEK(197)=33THENPRINT#15,"I":T=18:
E=0:A=214:GOTO160
•305 IFPEEK(197)=23THEN520
•310 GOTO145
•315 :
•320 REM *****
•325 REM *** CHANGE HEAD POSITION ***
•330 REM *****
•335 :
•340 BT=(BT+C)AND3
•345 T=T+C*.5:IFT<1THENT=1
•350 TK=INT(T)
•355 IFT>35THENT=35
•360 B=A AND252
•365 C=B+BT
•370 PRINT#15,"M-W"CHR$(0)CHR$(28)CHR$(1)
    
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## 1541 ALIGNMENT CHECK FROM PAGE 83

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•10 S=53280:POKES,6:POKES+1,6
•15 TL$="[22"[s *]]"
•20 BL$="[25"[s *]]"
•25 T=18:TK=T:OPEN15,8,15,"I"
•30 PRINT"[CLEAR][YELLOW][8" "][s U]"TL$"
[s I]"
•35 PRINT"[7"[s *]][s B][WHITE]1541 AL
IGNMENT CHECK[YELLOW][s B][7"[s *]]"
•40 PRINT"[8" "][s J]"TL$"[s K]"
•45 PRINT"[11" "][s J]"BY GREG GRANVILLE"
•50 PRINT"[DOWN][DOWN][7" "][s U][s *][s
*]ACTUAL HEAD POSITION[3"[s *]][s I]"
•55 PRINT"[7" "][s B][6" "][WHITE]TRACK =
"SPC(12)"[YELLOW][s B]"
•60 PRINT"[7" "][s J]"BL$"[s K]"
•65 PRINT"[DOWN][7" "][s U][s *]POSITION
READ FROM DISK[s *][s I]"
•70 PRINT"[7" "][s B][6" "][WHITE]TRACK =
"SPC(12)"[YELLOW][s B]"
•75 PRINT"[7" "][s J]"BL$"[s K]"
•80 PRINT"[DOWN][7" "][s U][s *][s *]ERRO
R STATUS[11"[s *]][s I]"
•85 PRINT"[7" "][s B]"SPC(25)"[YELLOW][s
B]"
•90 PRINT"[7" "][s J]"BL$"[s K]"
•95 PRINT"[DOWN][7" "][s U][s *][s *]ALIG
NMENT STATUS[7"[s *]][s I]"
•100 PRINT"[7" "][s B]"SPC(25)"[YELLOW][s
B]"
•105 PRINT"[7" "][s J]"BL$"[s K]"
•110 PRINT"[DOWN]PUSH JOYSTICK LEFT & RIG
HT TO MOVE HEAD"
•115 PRINT" HOLD FIRE BUTTON TO READ DRIV
E STATUS[WHITE]"
•120 :
•125 REM *****
•130 REM *** CALCULATE T/S READ ***
•135 REM *****
•140 :
•145 PRINT#15,"M-R"CHR$(0)CHR$(28)
•150 GET#15,F$:IFF$=""THENF$=CHR$(0)
    
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GJ
HD
ED
EI
KJ
OD
JG
CG
NI
HL
EH
LN
HL
EH
ID
IH
EH
JC
IH
EH
FK
LK
DI
OG
AE
OG
DI
EC
BO
HN
HB
LB
IC
DI
NK
GF
NK
DI
FM
DM
AK
FB
IL
NK
KM
MF
CD
GP
PO
CE
DF
CE
DI
NK
JB
PA
JE
BA
EH
LM
CM
DI
GH
HA
GH
DI
BN
PN
LG
BD
IA
IL
    
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CHR$(C)
-375 E=0
-380 GOTO145
-385 :
-390 REM *****
-395 REM *** READ THE HEADER ***
-400 REM *****
-405 :
-410 M$="":RESTORE
-415 FORY=1TO11:READX:M$=M$+CHR$(X):NEXT
-420 PRINT#15,"M-W"CHR$(0)CHR$(3)CHR$(11)
M$
-425 PRINT#15,"M-W"CHR$(0)CHR$(0)CHR$(1)C
HR$(208)
-430 PRINT#15,"M-R"CHR$(0)CHR$(0)
-435 GET#15,ER$:E=ASC(ER$+CHR$(0))
-440 IFE>127THEN340
-445 IFE<>1THEN145
-450 :
-455 REM *****
-460 REM *** NO ERROR/GET TRACK # ***
-465 REM *****
-470 :
-475 PRINT#15,"M-R"CHR$(22)CHR$(0)CHR$(4)
-480 FORZ=1TO2:GET#15,B$:NEXT
-485 GET#15,B$:TK=ASC(B$+CHR$(0))
-490 GOTO145
-495 :
-500 REM *****
-505 REM *** EXIT/DRIVE MOTOR OFF ***
-510 REM *****
-515 :
-520 PRINT#15,"M-W"CHR$(0)CHR$(28)CHR$(1)
CHR$(0)
-525 FORX=1TO10:GETX$:NEXT
-530 CLOSE15:PRINT"[CLEAR]MOTOR OFF"CHR$(
13)"PROGRAM TERMINATED":END
-535 DATA169,48,133,69,169,0,133,63,76,17
7,243

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## TURNKEY 64 FROM PAGE 53

Starting Address in Hex: 8000

Ending Address in Hex: 810C

Sys to start: 32768

Flankspeed required for entry. See page 98.

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8000: 09 80 5E FE C3 C2 CD 38 73
8008: 30 8E 16 D0 20 84 FF 20 72
8010: 87 FF 20 8A FF 20 81 FF E3
8018: A9 0C 8D 20 D0 A9 00 8D 83
8020: 21 D0 A9 0E 8D 86 02 A9 89
8028: 7F 8D 00 DC AD 01 DC C9 67
8030: DF D0 0E A2 20 BD CB 80 BB
8038: 9D 3C 03 CA 10 F7 4C 3C 70
8040: 03 20 53 E4 20 BF E3 A2 02
8048: 20 A9 FF 8D 04 DD 8D 05 14
8050: DD A9 19 8D 0E DD AD 0D 25

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MD 8058: DD AD 0D DD 29 01 F0 F9 E3
CO 8060: CA D0 E6 A9 00 85 90 A9 4C
CM 8068: 08 20 B1 FF A9 6F 20 93 0F
DI 8070: FF A5 90 F0 07 A9 00 85 CD
HE 8078: 90 4C 33 80 20 AE FF A9 81
EE 8080: EA 8D 28 03 A9 08 AA A0 21
HE 8088: 00 20 BA FF A9 04 A2 C7 7B
DI 8090: A0 80 20 BD FF A9 00 A6 DF
CA 8098: 2B A4 2C 20 D5 FF B0 D5 11
LB 80A0: 20 E7 FF A5 AE A4 AF 85 D6
80A8: 2D 84 2E 20 59 A6 20 33 FB
80B0: A5 A9 00 20 90 FF 20 33 04
80B8: A5 A2 20 BD EC 80 9D 3C 26
80C0: 03 CA 10 F7 4C 3C 03 30 52
80C8: 3A 3F 2A 8D 00 DE A9 00 82
80D0: 8D 04 80 2C 04 80 30 0C CF
80D8: A0 A0 85 37 8D 83 02 84 6E
80E0: 38 8C 84 02 A9 ED 8D 28 79
80E8: 03 6C 00 A0 8D 00 DE A9 0F
80F0: 00 8D 04 80 2C 04 80 30 E3
80F8: 0C A0 A0 85 37 8D 83 02 16
8100: 84 38 8C 84 02 A9 ED 8D F4
8108: 28 03 4C AE A7 D5

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## CRABFIGHT FROM PAGE 69

Starting Address in Hex: C000

Ending Address in Hex: C007

Flankspeed required for entry. See page 98.

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C000: A0 00 8C 15 D0 8C 20 D0 90
C008: 8C 21 D0 B9 95 C9 20 D2 92
C010: FF C8 C0 19 90 F5 20 E4 3E
C018: FF F0 FB C9 31 90 F7 C9 52
C020: 34 B0 F3 20 D2 FF 38 E9 0E
C028: 30 8D FE 02 A0 00 B9 AE EF
C030: C9 20 D2 FF C8 C0 16 90 1D
C038: F5 20 E4 FF F0 FB C9 31 1B
C040: 90 F7 C9 33 B0 F3 20 D2 5D
C048: FF 38 E9 30 8D F0 02 C9 E4
C050: 01 D0 1D A0 00 B9 C4 C9 28
C058: 20 D2 FF C8 C0 16 90 F5 71
C060: 20 E4 FF F0 FB C9 31 90 DD
C068: F7 C9 34 B0 F3 20 D2 FF F5
C070: 20 4A C8 38 E9 30 85 FD 79
C078: A9 05 38 E5 FD 85 FD 85 4C
C080: FE A9 93 20 D2 FF A0 00 50
C088: 98 99 A7 02 C8 C0 38 90 B6
C090: F8 8D 04 D0 A9 A0 8D 08 CB
C098: 04 8D 1E 04 A2 06 8E 08 8B
C0A0: D8 8E 1E D8 A0 28 A9 A0 12
C0A8: 99 08 04 99 F8 04 99 E8 67
C0B0: 05 99 D8 06 99 1E 04 99 83
C0B8: 0E 05 99 FE 05 99 EE 06 F7
C0C0: 8A 99 08 D8 99 F8 D8 99 CA
C0C8: E8 D9 99 D8 DA 99 1E D8 69
C0D0: 99 0E D9 99 FE D9 99 EE 4D

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C0D8: DA C0 F0 B0 08 98 18 69 38  
C0E0: 28 A8 4C A6 C0 A0 00 A2 A8  
C0E8: 06 A9 A0 99 09 04 A9 66 EF  
C0F0: 99 31 04 99 59 04 99 81 D1  
C0F8: 04 99 E9 05 99 51 07 99 11  
C100: 79 07 99 A1 07 A9 A0 99 A6  
C108: C9 07 8A 99 09 D8 A9 02 8A  
C110: 99 31 D8 99 59 D8 99 81 9A  
C118: D8 8A 99 E9 D9 A9 04 99 20  
C120: 51 DB 99 79 DB 99 A1 DB 53  
C128: 8A 99 C9 DB C8 C0 15 B0 41  
C130: 03 4C E9 C0 A0 00 A9 30 A4  
C138: 99 E2 05 99 32 06 A9 02 37  
C140: 99 E2 D9 8D 03 DA A9 04 AF  
C148: 99 32 DA 8D 53 DA C8 C0 34  
C150: 03 90 E3 A0 00 B9 DA C9 C6  
C158: 99 91 05 B9 DF C9 99 B2 38  
C160: 05 A9 05 99 91 D9 99 B2 65  
C168: D9 C8 C0 05 90 E7 A0 00 E9  
C170: A2 C0 8A 99 F8 07 E8 C8 A9  
C178: C0 04 90 F6 A9 C3 99 F8 C4  
C180: 07 C8 C0 07 90 F8 A0 00 42  
C188: B9 08 CA 99 00 30 C8 C0 68  
C190: 00 D0 F5 A9 7F 8D 15 D0 F3  
C198: A9 78 8D 06 D0 8D 0A D0 87  
C1A0: A9 DC 8D 08 D0 8D 0C D0 F7  
C1A8: A9 3B 8D 07 D0 8D 09 D0 5A  
C1B0: A9 DB 8D 0B D0 8D 0D D0 0B  
C1B8: A9 02 8D 27 D0 A9 04 8D 25  
C1C0: 28 D0 A9 01 8D 29 D0 A9 95  
C1C8: 0F 8D 2A D0 8D 18 D4 A9 84  
C1D0: 05 8D 2B D0 A9 07 8D 2C C9  
C1D8: D0 A9 03 8D 2D D0 A9 AA 36  
C1E0: 8D 00 D0 8D 02 D0 8D 04 31  
C1E8: D0 85 FC A9 53 8D 01 D0 98  
C1F0: 85 FB A9 C3 8D 03 D0 A9 EA  
C1F8: 8B 8D 05 D0 A9 33 8D 03 55  
C200: 06 8D 53 06 AD 1E D0 20 A9  
C208: 38 C8 20 4A C8 A9 15 8D 88  
C210: 04 D4 A9 F0 8D 06 D4 A9 95  
C218: 30 8D 01 D4 20 4A C8 EE CD  
C220: CF 02 AD CF 02 C9 05 90 D0  
C228: DB 20 38 C8 AD FE 02 85 59  
C230: FB AD AD 02 D0 0E A5 FC 0B  
C238: D0 14 AD 05 D0 C9 37 90 32  
C240: 06 CE 05 D0 4C 13 C3 A9 B7  
C248: 03 85 FC 4C BC C7 C9 01 69  
C250: D0 28 AD 04 D0 C9 5F B0 A5  
C258: 07 A9 02 85 FC 4C DA C6 7B  
C260: CE 04 D0 CE 04 D0 AD 05 5A  
C268: D0 C9 37 90 06 CE 05 D0 75  
C270: 4C 13 C3 A9 04 85 FC 4C 10  
C278: BC C7 C9 02 D0 28 AD 04 73  
C280: D0 C9 F2 90 07 A9 01 85 D5  
C288: FC 4C DA C6 EE 04 D0 EE 26  
C290: 04 D0 AD 05 D0 C9 37 90 7A  
C298: 06 CE 05 D0 4C 13 C3 A9 10  
C2A0: 05 85 FC 4C BC C7 C9 03 C5

C2A8: D0 14 AD 05 D0 C9 E0 B0 6C  
C2B0: 06 EE 05 D0 4C 13 C3 A9 48  
C2B8: 00 85 FC 4C D7 C7 C9 04 F4  
C2C0: D0 28 AD 04 D0 C9 5F B0 16  
C2C8: 07 A9 05 85 FC 4C DA C6 EE  
C2D0: CE 04 D0 CE 04 D0 AD 05 CA  
C2D8: D0 C9 E0 B0 06 EE 05 D0 CF  
C2E0: 4C 13 C3 A9 01 85 FC 4C 7D  
C2E8: D7 C7 C9 05 D0 25 AD 04 FE  
C2F0: D0 C9 F2 90 07 A9 04 85 49  
C2F8: FC 4C DA C6 EE 04 D0 EE 96  
C300: 04 D0 AD 05 D0 C9 E0 90 93  
C308: 07 A9 02 85 FC 4C D7 C7 29  
C310: EE 05 D0 AD 01 DC 29 10 99  
C318: D0 08 A9 06 8D 27 D0 4C 72  
C320: 27 C3 A9 02 8D 27 D0 AD E9  
C328: 01 DC 29 0F 8D A7 02 AD 23  
C330: 01 DC 29 10 18 6D A7 02 76  
C338: C9 1B D0 06 20 BC C3 4C E0  
C340: EE C3 C9 17 D0 06 20 CA 95  
C348: C3 4C EE C3 C9 1D D0 06 C8  
C350: 20 D8 C3 4C EE C3 C9 1E F3  
C358: D0 06 20 E3 C3 4C EE C3 F5  
C360: C9 1A D0 09 20 E3 C3 20 06  
C368: BC C3 4C EE C3 C9 16 D0 98  
C370: 09 20 E3 C3 20 CA C3 4C 3C  
C378: EE C3 C9 19 D0 09 20 D8 E0  
C380: C3 20 BC C3 4C EE C3 C9 AD  
C388: 15 D0 09 20 D8 C3 20 CA 1F  
C390: C3 4C EE C3 AC B3 02 C0 76  
C398: 01 D0 F6 C9 0D D0 07 A9 B9  
C3A0: 03 85 FC 4C F4 C6 C9 0B 03  
C3A8: D0 07 A9 04 85 FC 4C F4 F1  
C3B0: C6 C9 07 D0 DC A9 05 85 2A  
C3B8: FC 4C F4 C6 AD 00 D0 C9 06  
C3C0: 62 90 06 CE 00 D0 CE 00 28  
C3C8: D0 60 AD 00 D0 C9 EF B0 E2  
C3D0: F8 EE 00 D0 EE 00 D0 60 A9  
C3D8: AD 01 D0 C9 7E B0 EA EE 2B  
C3E0: 01 D0 60 AD 01 D0 C9 54 B0  
C3E8: 90 DF CE 01 D0 60 AD 00 08  
C3F0: DC 29 10 D0 08 A9 06 8D 1D  
C3F8: 28 D0 4C 02 C4 A9 04 8D 40  
C400: 28 D0 AD 00 DC 29 0F 8D 49  
C408: A9 02 AD 00 DC 29 10 18 8F  
C410: 6D A9 02 C9 1B D0 06 20 05  
C418: 9A C4 4C CC C4 C9 17 D0 07  
C420: 06 20 A8 C4 4C CC C4 C9 5B  
C428: 1D D0 06 20 B6 C4 4C CC D0  
C430: C4 C9 1E D0 06 20 C1 C4 5A  
C438: 4C CC C4 C9 1A D0 09 20 F3  
C440: C1 C4 20 9A C4 4C CC C4 24  
C448: C9 16 D0 09 20 C1 C4 20 C8  
C450: A8 C4 4C CC C4 C9 19 D0 4F  
C458: 09 20 B6 C4 20 9A C4 4C C8  
C460: CC C4 C9 15 D0 09 20 B6 81  
C468: C4 20 A8 C4 4C CC C4 AC 45  
C470: B3 02 C0 02 D0 21 C9 0E B2

C478: D0 07 A9 00 85 FC 4C F4 BD  
C480: C6 C9 0B D0 07 A9 01 85 24  
C488: FC 4C F4 C6 C9 07 D0 07 36  
C490: A9 02 85 FC 4C F4 C6 4C 13  
C498: CC C4 AD 02 D0 C9 62 90 67  
C4A0: 06 CE 02 D0 CE 02 D0 60 4A  
C4A8: AD 02 D0 C9 EF B0 F8 EE 7B  
C4B0: 02 D0 EE 02 D0 60 AD 03 56  
C4B8: D0 C9 C3 B0 EA EE 03 D0 75  
C4C0: 60 AD 03 D0 C9 99 90 DF 76  
C4C8: CE 03 D0 60 AD F0 02 C9 36  
C4D0: 01 D0 0A AD B3 02 C9 01 DA  
C4D8: D0 0D 4C 8B C5 4C E6 C5 4D  
C4E0: A5 FE 85 FD 4C 6E C5 A5 2F  
C4E8: FD F0 F5 AD B3 02 D0 2C 2E  
C4F0: AD 00 D0 CD 04 D0 F0 43 46  
C4F8: 90 11 CE 00 D0 AD 00 D0 B8  
C500: CD 04 D0 F0 36 CE 00 D0 69  
C508: 4C 3B C5 EE 00 D0 AD 00 C2  
C510: D0 CD 04 D0 B0 25 EE 00 48  
C518: D0 4C 3B C5 AD 01 D0 C9 7F  
C520: 79 B0 03 EE 01 D0 AD 00 BB  
C528: D0 C9 AA F0 3F 90 06 CE 03  
C530: 00 D0 4C 6C C5 EE 00 D0 3F  
C538: 4C 6C C5 AD 05 D0 C9 8A 8E  
C540: B0 0D AD 01 D0 C9 54 90 2C  
C548: 23 CE 01 D0 4C 6C C5 A5 30  
C550: FC C9 AA F0 0D AD 01 D0 3F  
C558: C9 6C B0 10 EE 01 D0 4C 5C  
C560: 6C C5 AD 01 D0 C9 7E B0 0B  
C568: 03 EE 01 D0 C6 FD AD B3 52  
C570: 02 D0 12 AD 1E D0 C9 05 C0  
C578: D0 0E A9 01 8D B3 02 8D D2  
C580: AD 02 4C F8 C5 4C E6 C5 34  
C588: 4C 09 C6 AD 01 D0 C9 60 4E  
C590: 90 03 CE 01 D0 AD AF 02 24  
C598: F0 10 AD 00 D0 C9 F0 B0 83  
C5A0: 06 EE 00 D0 4C BD C5 CE 05  
C5A8: AF 02 AD 00 D0 C9 62 90 95  
C5B0: 06 CE 00 D0 4C BD C5 EE 15  
C5B8: AF 02 4C A1 C5 AD 00 D0 9C  
C5C0: 8D 04 D0 AD 01 D0 8D 05 35  
C5C8: D0 A5 A2 C9 60 B0 14 AD 7E  
C5D0: 04 DC C9 A0 B0 07 C9 60 FD  
C5D8: 90 06 4C 9F C3 4C AA C3 D9  
C5E0: 4C B5 C3 4C 40 C7 AD B3 5C  
C5E8: 02 C9 01 F0 0B C9 02 F0 6E  
C5F0: 1C AD 1E D0 C9 05 D0 11 5A  
C5F8: AD 00 D0 8D 04 D0 AD 01 88  
C600: D0 8D 05 D0 A9 01 4C 1B 46  
C608: C6 C9 06 D0 17 AD 02 D0 07  
C610: 8D 04 D0 AD 03 D0 8D 05 86  
C618: D0 A9 02 8D AD 02 8D B3 13  
C620: 02 4C 40 C7 AE BE 02 E0 C6  
C628: 00 F0 03 4C 59 C8 C9 0C 60  
C630: D0 11 AD 15 D0 38 E9 08 CF  
C638: 8D 15 D0 A9 01 8D BE 02 A4  
C640: 4C 55 C6 C9 14 D0 1B AD 20  
C648: 15 D0 38 E9 10 8D 15 D0 D3  
C650: A9 02 8D BE 02 A9 03 85 7C  
C658: FC 20 F2 C7 20 F2 C7 4C 57  
C660: 93 C6 C9 24 D0 11 AD 15 4D  
C668: D0 38 E9 20 8D 15 D0 A9 98  
C670: 03 8D BE 02 4C 89 C6 C9 28  
C678: 44 D0 2F AD 15 D0 38 E9 72  
C680: 40 8D 15 D0 A9 04 8D BE 2  
C688: 02 A9 00 85 FC 20 15 C8 B4  
C690: 20 15 C8 20 38 C8 A9 15 6E  
C698: 8D 04 D4 A9 F0 8D 06 D4 02  
C6A0: A9 40 8D 01 D4 A9 0D 8D 32  
C6A8: C0 02 4C 9E C8 20 38 C8 40  
C6B0: A9 15 8D 04 D4 A9 F0 8D FD  
C6B8: 06 D4 A9 18 8D 01 D4 A9 62  
C6C0: 0D 8D C0 02 4C 13 C3 20 61  
C6C8: 38 C8 A9 21 8D 04 D4 A9 A4  
C6D0: F0 8D 06 D4 A9 02 8D 01 64  
C6D8: D4 60 20 38 C8 A9 21 8D 87  
C6E0: 04 D4 A9 F0 8D 06 D4 A9 66  
C6E8: 06 8D 01 D4 A9 0D 8D C0 57  
C6F0: 02 4C 13 C3 20 38 C8 A9 E0  
C6F8: 81 8D 04 D4 A9 F0 8D 06 0F  
C700: D4 A9 05 8D 01 D4 A9 0D 9D  
C708: 8D C0 02 AD B3 02 C9 01 86  
C710: D0 0C AD 01 D0 18 69 18 06  
C718: 8D 05 D0 4C 27 C7 AD 03 67  
C720: D0 38 E9 18 8D 05 D0 A9 38  
C728: 00 8D AD 02 8D B3 02 8D 36  
C730: BB 02 A9 33 8D 03 06 8D EE  
C738: 53 06 AD 1E D0 4C 9E C8 E1  
C740: AD BB 02 D0 15 A9 FF 8D C8  
C748: C8 02 A9 03 8D C9 02 EE 08  
C750: BB 02 20 C7 C6 A9 10 8D 04  
C758: C0 02 AD C8 02 D0 57 CE 8A  
C760: C9 02 AD C9 02 18 69 30 57  
C768: AE B3 02 E0 01 D0 06 8D 13  
C770: 03 06 4C 78 C7 8D 53 06 EC  
C778: AD C9 02 D0 39 AD B3 02 5F  
C780: C9 01 D0 06 20 F2 C7 4C 49  
C788: 8D C7 20 15 C8 20 C7 C6 8A  
C790: A9 FF 85 FB 20 4A C8 20 0F  
C798: 38 C8 20 4A C8 AD C2 02 3F  
C7A0: F0 03 4C DE C8 A9 00 8D BF  
C7A8: AD 02 8D B3 02 8D BB 02 E6  
C7B0: 8D CF 02 4C DE C1 CE C8 94  
C7B8: 02 4C 9E C8 AD 34 06 18 6E  
C7C0: 69 05 C9 35 D0 06 8D 34 C6  
C7C8: 06 4C AD C6 A9 30 8D 34 2B  
C7D0: 06 20 F2 C7 4C AD C6 AD 20  
C7D8: E4 05 18 69 05 C9 35 D0 19  
C7E0: 06 8D E4 05 4C AD C6 A9 C8  
C7E8: 30 8D E4 05 20 15 C8 4C DA  
C7F0: AD C6 AD 1E D0 AD 33 06 E8  
C7F8: C9 39 B0 04 EE 33 06 60 39  
C800: A9 30 8D 33 06 AD 32 06 86  
C808: C9 31 90 05 A9 02 8D C2 94  
C810: 02 EE 32 06 60 AD 1E D0 36

**IMPORTANT!** Letters on white background are **Bug Repellent** line codes. Do not enter them! Pages 97 and 98 explain these codes and provide other essential information on entering **Ahoy!** programs. Refer to these pages **before** entering any programs!

C818: AD E3 05 C9 39 B0 04 EE 55  
 C820: E3 05 60 A9 30 8D E3 05 B9  
 C828: AD E2 05 C9 31 90 05 A9 F7  
 C830: 01 8D C2 02 EE E2 05 60 BA  
 C838: A0 00 98 99 00 D4 C0 17 B7  
 C840: B0 04 C8 4C 3B C8 8D C0 5C  
 C848: 02 60 A2 00 A0 00 C8 C0 77  
 C850: FF D0 FB E8 E4 FB D0 F4 AC  
 C858: 60 AD 05 D0 C9 A0 B0 3E 95  
 C860: C9 76 90 3A E0 01 D0 0B 29  
 C868: AD 15 D0 09 10 8D 15 D0 88  
 C870: 4C 99 C8 E0 02 D0 0B AD 8B  
 C878: 15 D0 09 08 8D 15 D0 4C 2F  
 C880: 99 C8 E0 03 D0 0B AD 15 65  
 C888: D0 09 40 8D 15 D0 4C 99 FB  
 C890: C8 AD 15 D0 09 20 8D 15 B8  
 C898: D0 A9 00 8D BE 02 20 4A CB  
 C8A0: C8 A0 00 C8 C0 80 D0 FB E0  
 C8A8: 20 E1 FF D0 19 20 38 C8 B5  
 C8B0: 20 77 C9 20 E4 FF F0 FB 04  
 C8B8: C9 4E D0 03 4C 00 C0 C9 7B  
 C8C0: 43 D0 F0 20 87 C9 AD C2 A7  
 C8C8: 02 D0 13 AD C0 02 F0 08 18  
 C8D0: CE C0 02 AD C0 02 D0 03 A6  
 C8D8: 20 38 C8 4C 31 C2 C9 01 05  
 C8E0: D0 13 A0 00 B9 E2 05 18 1F  
 C8E8: 69 80 99 E2 05 C8 C0 03 E0  
 C8F0: 90 F2 4C 05 C9 A0 00 B9 E9  
 C8F8: 32 06 18 69 80 99 32 06 05  
 C900: C8 C0 03 90 F2 A2 27 86 60  
 C908: FB 20 4A C8 84 FB 20 38 10  
 C910: C8 20 4A C8 A9 15 8D 04 5C  
 C918: D4 A9 F0 8D 06 D4 A0 00 90  
 C920: 8C F8 02 8C F9 02 AC F9 D6  
 C928: 02 B9 FC C9 8D 01 D4 B9 C7  
 C930: FD C9 85 FB 20 4A C8 EE 9B  
 C938: F9 02 EE F9 02 AD F9 02 C8  
 C940: C9 0B 90 E2 A9 00 8D 01 C0  
 C948: D4 20 4A C8 EE F8 02 AD E7  
 C950: F8 02 C9 03 B0 05 A0 00 6E  
 C958: 4C 23 C9 20 38 C8 20 77 4A  
 C960: C9 20 E4 FF F0 FB C9 4E 34  
 C968: D0 03 4C 00 C0 C9 43 D0 27  
 C970: F0 20 87 C9 4C 81 C0 A0 02  
 C978: 00 84 C6 B9 E4 C9 20 D2 1F  
 C980: FF C8 C0 0C 90 F5 60 A0 9D  
 C988: 00 B9 F0 C9 20 D2 FF C8 B8  
 C990: C0 0C 90 F5 60 99 93 0D 7E  
 C998: 0D 0D 20 20 4C 45 56 45 20  
 C9A0: 4C 20 20 20 20 28 31 2D F3  
 C9A8: 32 2D 33 29 3F 20 0D 0D DD  
 C9B0: 20 20 50 4C 41 59 45 52 BF  
 C9B8: 53 20 20 20 20 28 31 2D 13  
 C9C0: 32 29 3F 20 0D 0D 20 20 D5  
 C9C8: 43 4F 4D 50 55 54 45 52 3A  
 C9D0: 20 28 31 2D 32 2D 33 29 33

C9D8: 3F 20 13 03 0F 12 05 14 88  
 C9E0: 09 0D 05 20 13 4E 3D 4E 09  
 C9E8: 45 57 0D 43 3D 43 4F 4E F3  
 C9F0: 13 20 20 20 20 20 0D 20 D1  
 C9F8: 20 20 20 20 0C 60 0E 60 54  
 CA00: 10 60 13 C0 10 60 13 FF C7  
 CA08: 0E 00 70 0E 00 70 03 00 08  
 CA10: C0 01 FF 80 03 FF C0 0F 25  
 CA18: FF F0 1F FF F8 3F FF FC 5D  
 CA20: 7F FF FE FF FF FF FF FF 9E  
 CA28: FF E7 FF E7 E3 FF C7 70 14  
 CA30: 00 07 3F E0 0E 1F 87 FC 09  
 CA38: 0E 01 F8 07 80 70 03 E1 1D  
 CA40: E0 00 07 C0 00 00 00 00 E8  
 CA48: 00 00 00 03 E0 00 07 87 BA  
 CA50: C0 0E 01 E0 1F 80 70 3F 50  
 CA58: E1 F8 70 07 FC E0 00 0E 96  
 CA60: E1 C3 87 E1 C3 87 E3 00 9E  
 CA68: C7 F1 FF 8F FF FF FF FF B1  
 CA70: FF FF 7F FF FE 3F FF FC 2B  
 CA78: 1F FF F8 0F FF F0 03 FF 93  
 CA80: C0 00 FF 00 00 00 00 00 41  
 CA88: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 88  
 CA90: 00 00 00 00 00 3C 00 00 CC  
 CA98: 7E 00 03 FF C0 03 FF C0 9E  
 CAA0: 0F FF F0 0F FF F0 3F 3C 1C  
 CAA8: FC 3F 3C FC 0F FF F0 0F 2D  
 CAB0: FF F0 03 FF C0 03 FF C0 29  
 CAB8: 00 7E 00 00 3C 00 00 00 73  
 CAC0: 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 C0  
 CAC8: 00 FE 00 01 FF 00 73 FF 3C  
 CAD0: 80 C3 39 80 C3 39 80 E3 30  
 CAD8: FF 80 71 FF 00 18 FE 00 E1  
 CAE0: 0C 7C 78 06 7C CE 03 FF 36  
 CAE8: 87 01 FF 03 03 FC 03 0F 86  
 CAF0: F8 03 38 30 40 60 30 60 86  
 CAF8: 60 18 30 30 0C 18 18 06 14  
 CB00: 18 0C 03 18 07 81 F0 00 B8

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1 REM *****
2 REM **
3 REM ** CHARACTER DUMP
4 REM ** BY JIM SANDERS
5 REM ** FOR AHOY! MAGAZINE
6 REM **
7 REM *****
8 POKE 53280,12:POKE53281,12:PRINT"[HOME
  ][[BLUE]]"
10 REM*DATA LOADER FOR DUMP 52992
20 PRINT"[CLEAR]":CS=0
30 FOR I=52992 TO 53140:READ A:POKE I,A
40 CS=CS+A:NEXTI
  
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NK  
 DP  
 PC  
 BG  
 PK  
 DP  
 NK  
 AI  
 ID  
 BG  
 ID  
 MM

•45 PRINTCS	DG	•80 DS\$=DN\$+"[4"[DOWN]]"[13"[RIGHT]]"	MG
•50 IFCS<>18597 THEN PRINT"[4"*]ERROR IN DATA STATEMENTS[4"*]:END	OM	•90 GOSUB880:POKEBO,0:POKEBG,0:POKE646,14	IK
•55 PRINT"TO ACTIVATE F7 KEY SYS 52992"	PJ	•100 GOSUB1600	FM
•60 PRINT"TO CHANGE TO F1 POKE 53024,4"	MP	•110 FORI=49152TO49152+213	LA
•65 PRINT"TO CHANGE TO F3 POKE 53024,5"	FM	•120 READA:POKEI,A:NEXT	BD
•70 PRINT"TO CHANGE TO F5 POKE 53024,6"	EF	•130 GOSUB1130	FM
•75 PRINT"TO CHANGE TO F7 POKE 53024,3"	IO	•140 PRINT"[CLEAR][c 8]"DN\$"BONUS FEATURE [RVSON]Y/N[RVSOFF]";	DA
•80 PRINT"TYPE 'NEW' <RETURN> AFTER POKE"	IA	•150 INPUTBS\$	EF
•85 PRINT"HIT RUN/STOP TO DISABLE"	OE	•160 PRINT"[CLEAR]"DN\$"HOW MANY ROUNDS";	ON
•90 PRINT"SYS 52992 THEN PRESS F7":PRINT"TO PRINT THESE INSTRUCTIONS"	II	•170 INPUTRD\$:RD=VAL(RD\$)	NH
•95 PRINT"CHARACTER DUMP MAY BE ACTIVATED FROM":PRINT"PROGRAM BY LINE ENTRY:SYS 53034"	FA	•180 IFRD=0THENRD=1	CP
•100 NEW	KA	•190 :	DI
•52992 DATA120,173,20,3,141,169,2,173	KC	•200 REM ** MAIN LOOP **	JI
•53000 DATA21,3,141,170,2,169,29,141	MG	•210 :	DI
•53008 DATA20,3,169,207,141,21,3,169	EF	•220 FORII=1TORD	EF
•53016 DATA0,133,254,88,96,165,197,201	PH	•230 POKEBO,0:POKEBG,0	DN
•53024 DATA3,208,4,165,254,240,3,108	NJ	•240 M1=1905:M2=1925:C1=30:C2=C1:TP=0	LI
•53032 DATA169,2,169,255,133,254,169,4	NI	•250 POKE198,0	KB
•53040 DATA133,186,169,126,133,184,169,0	DI	•260 PRINT"[CLEAR]"DN\$"WHAT NUMBER MAZE";	PN
•53048 DATA160,4,133,113,132,114,133,183	JL	•270 INPUTMZ\$:MZ=VAL(MZ\$):MZ\$=""	OP
•53056 DATA133,185,32,192,255,166,184,32	PC	•280 PRINT"[CLEAR]":IFMZ=0THENMZ=RND(1)	CH
•53064 DATA201,255,162,25,169,13,32,210	IG	•290 FORI=0TO22	MF
•53072 DATA255,32,225,255,240,46,160,0	MD	•300 PRINT"[RED][RVSON][19" "][RIGHT][19" "][RVSOFF][RIGHT]";	LL
•53080 DATA177,113,133,103,41,63,6,103	NL	•310 NEXT	IA
•53088 DATA36,103,16,2,9,128,112,2	DI	•320 A9=SC+81:GOSUB670:MZ=0	CK
•53096 DATA9,64,32,210,255,200,192,40	EP	•330 IFBS\$<>"Y"THEN390	JG
•53104 DATA208,230,152,24,101,113,133,113	GO	•340 X=INT(RND(1)*5)+2	OA
•53112 DATA144,2,230,114,202,208,205,169	NA	•350 Y=INT(RND(1)*8)+2	EC
•53120 DATA13,32,210,255,32,204,255,169	HA	•360 FORI=SC+X*40+YTOSC+X*40+19	OA
•53128 DATA8,32,195,255,169,0,133,254	KK	•370 IFPEEK(I)=160THENPOKEI,86:POKEI+20,86:POKEI+CD,7:POKEI+20+CD,7:GOTO390	LH
•53136 DATA76,188,254,96,255	BB	•380 NEXT	IA

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•1 REM *****	DN	•440 IFVAL(RIGHT\$(TI\$,2))<10THEN430	GN
•2 REM *	OO	•450 SYS49152:J1=PEEK(253)	KM
•3 REM * 'HEAD TO HEAD' (C) 1985	FL	•460 M1=01+X(J1):W1=PEEK(M1)	PO
•4 REM * BY DOUG SMOAK	BM	•470 IFW1=C1ORW1=WLTHEN520	OL
•5 REM * 303 HEYWARD ST.	GF	•480 IFW1=HLTHENTP=TP+1:P1=P1+10:POKEM1+20,32	AG
•6 REM * COLUMBIA, S.C.	GC	•490 IFW1=86THENP1=P1+500:POKEM1+20,32	EJ
•7 REM * 29201	OG	•500 POKE01,32:POKEM1,C(J1)	FP
•8 REM *	OO	•510 O1=M1:C1=C(J1):GOTO530	IP
•9 REM *****	DN	•520 M1=01	LA
•10 DIMA(3),X(4),C(4)	FB	•530 SYS49152:J2=PEEK(254)	LA
•20 A(0)=2:A(2)=-80:A(1)=-2:A(3)=80	PJ	•540 M2=02+X(J2):W2=PEEK(M2)	ME
•30 X(0)=0:X(1)=-40:X(2)=40:X(3)=-1:X(4)=1	DN	•550 IFW2=C2ORW2=WLTHEN600	OL
•40 C(0)=0:C(1)=30:C(2)=22:C(3)=60:C(4)=62	LJ	•560 IFW2=HLTHENTP=TP+1:P2=P2+10:POKEM2-20,32	AJ
•50 BO=53280:BG=BO+1:SC=1024:WL=160:HL=46	JP	•570 IFW2=86THENP2=P2+500:POKEM2-20,32	DI
•60 SID=54272:CD=SID	AM	•580 POKE02,32:POKEM2,C(J2)	BC
•70 DN\$="[HOME][14"[DOWN]]"	EI	•590 O2=M2:C2=C(J2):GOTO610	JE

•600 M2=02	LE	•1060 :	DI
•610 PRINT"[HOME][YELLOW]SCORE"P1TAB(20)"	OK	•1070 REM *** CHECK FOR END ***	MD
SCORE"P2		•1080 :	DI
•620 IFTP>=196THENSYS49287:GOSUB880:GOSUB	JA	•1090 IFRD>0ANDII=RDTHENRETURN	MG
1090:NEXTII:GOTO920	CN	•1100 :	DI
•630 GOTO450	DI	•1110 REM *** WAIT FOR INPUT ***	CO
•640 :	OH	•1120 :	DI
•650 REM *** CREATE PLAYFIELD ***	DI	•1130 PRINT"[c 1][HOME][24"[DOWN]]][8"[RI	CF
•660 :	KN	GHT]" ]PRESS RETURN TO CONTINUE";	GH
•670 ZM=RND(-MZ)	AB	•1140 CL=RND(0)*15+1	
•680 J=INT(RND(1)*4):X3=J	AG	•1150 IFRD=0THENPOKE646,CL:GOSUB1600:PRIN	NJ
•690 B=A9+A(J)	GE	TDS\$"BY DOUG SMOAK "	JM
•700 IFPEEK(B)=WLTHENGOSUB800:GOTO680	HI	•1160 IF(PEEK(197)<>1)THEN1140	HE
•710 J=(J+1)*-(J<3):IFJ<>X3THEN690	JM	•1170 POKE198,0:RETURN	DI
•720 J=PEEK(A9)	LB	•1180 :	EA
•730 POKEA9,HL:POKEA9+CD,1	AM	•1190 REM ** M.L. J-STICK DATA **	DI
•740 POKEA9+20,HL:POKEA9+CD+20,1	OI	•1200 :	LD
•750 IFJ<4THENA9=A9-A(J):GOTO680	IM	•1210 DATA169,0,133,254,173,0,220	AA
•760 RETURN	DI	•1220 DATA74,176,4,160,1,132,254,74	NJ
•770 :	BM	•1230 DATA176,4,160,2,132,254,74,176	IE
•780 REM *** PLAYFIELD SUB ***	DI	•1240 DATA4,160,3,132,254,74,176	FI
•790 :	MP	•1250 DATA4,160,4,132,254,169,0,133	NL
•800 POKEB,J:POKEA9+A(J)/2,HL	CD	•1260 DATA253,173,1,220,74,176,4	LL
•810 POKEA9+CD+A(J)/2,1	OO	•1270 DATA160,1,132,253,74,176,4	OF
•820 POKEB+20,J:POKE(A9+A(J)/2)+20,HL	OJ	•1280 DATA160,2,132,253,74,176,4,160	AD
•830 POKE20+A9+CD+A(J)/2,1:A9=B	IM	•1290 DATA3,132,253,74,176,4,160	MK
•840 RETURN	DI	•1300 DATA4,132,253,96	DI
•850 :	GM	•1310 :	ME
•860 REM ** SETUP SOUND CHIP **	DI	•1320 REM ** INTERRUPT MUSIC DATA **	DI
•870 :	JL	•1330 :	GA
•880 FORI=0TO24:POKESI+I,0:NEXT:POKESI+24	DI	•1340 DATA120,169,84,141,20,3,169	MD
,15:POKESI+6,240:RETURN	PO	•1350 DATA192,141,21,3,88,96,173,148	NE
•890 :	DI	•1360 DATA192,208,40,174,149,192	HM
•900 REM *** GAME OVER ***	MD	•1370 DATA232,224,64,208,2,162,0,189	ON
•910 :	KM	•1380 DATA150,192,141,0,212,232,189	LM
•920 IFP1>P2THENPL\$="PLAYER ONE, THAT'S Y	KJ	•1390 DATA150,192,141,1,212,232,189	HB
OU ON THE LEFT!":GOTO950	KH	•1400 DATA150,192,141,4,212,232,189	EA
•930 IFP2>P1THENPL\$="PLAYER TWO, THAT'S Y	JB	•1410 DATA150,192,141,148,192,142,149	NN
OU ON THE RIGHT!":GOTO950	IO	•1420 DATA192,206,148,192,76,49,234	IJ
•940 IFP2=P1THENPL\$="[7" "]NOBODY, IT'S A	KL	•1430 DATA120,169,49,141,20,3,169	AK
TIE[3"!"]??"	AA	•1440 DATA234,141,21,3,88,96	HJ
•950 PRINT"[CLEAR][DOWN][RIGHT][YELLOW]TH	BG	•1450 DATA 0,255	DI
E FINAL SCORES ARE:[DOWN]"	JN	•1460 :	HK
•960 PRINT"[DOWN][RIGHT]PLAYER ONE:[WHITE	AL	•1470 REM ** MUSIC NOTES DATA **	DI
]P1	FH	•1480 :	AC
•970 PRINT"[YELLOW][DOWN][RIGHT]PLAYER TW	HB	•1490 DATA 96,22,17,15,195,16,17,15	IE
O:[WHITE]"P2	PM	•1500 DATA 24,14,17,15,195,16,17,15	AC
•980 PRINT"[YELLOW][3"[DOWN]]][RIGHT]THE		•1510 DATA 96,22,17,15,195,16,17,15	IE
WINNER IS:"		•1520 DATA 24,14,17,15,195,16,17,15	HM
•990 PRINT"[DOWN][DOWN][RIGHT][RIGHT][WHI		•1530 DATA 239,14,17,15,195,16,17,15	HM
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•1000 PRINT"[YELLOW][5"[DOWN]]][12" "]PLA		•1550 DATA 239,14,17,15,195,16,17,15	AC
Y AGAIN [RVSON]Y/N[RVSOFF] ?";		•1560 DATA 209,18,17,15,31,21,17,15	DI
•1010 FORI=1TO1000:NEXT:POKE198,0		•1570 :	DL
•1020 GETA\$		•1580 REM *** TITLE PAGE ***	DI
•1030 IFA\$="N"THENPRINT"[CLEAR]";:END		•1590 :	HM
•1040 IFA\$<>"Y"THEN1020		•1600 PRINT"[HOME][39" "];	
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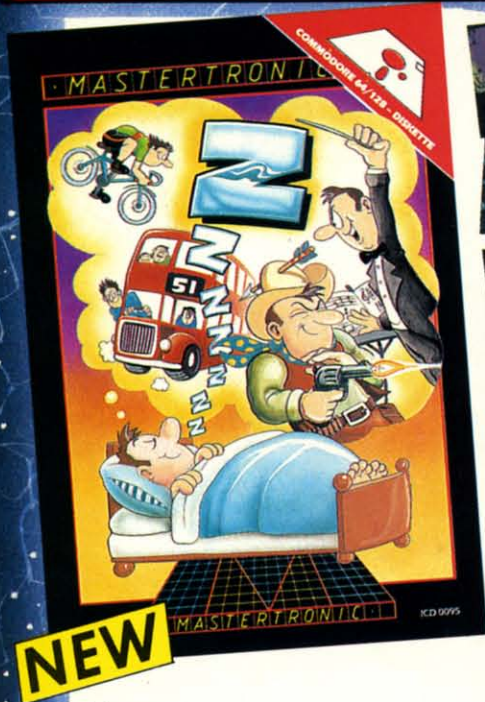
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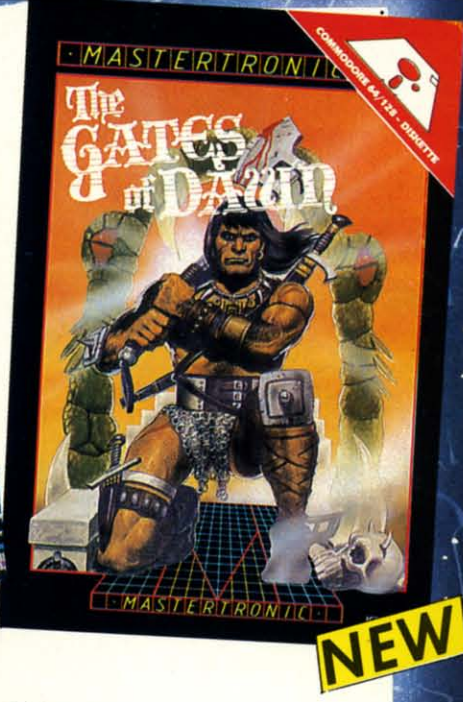
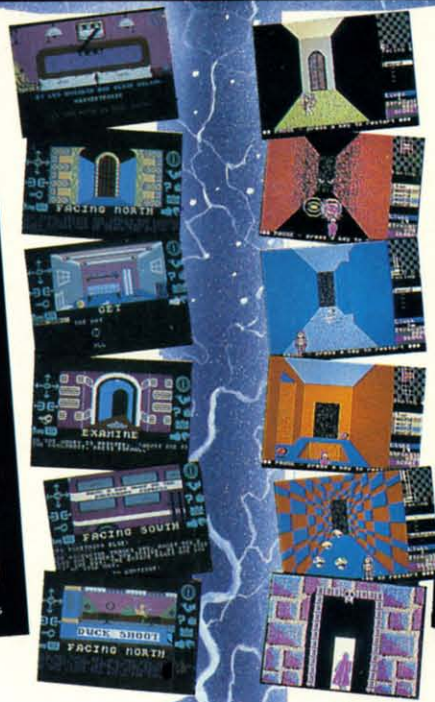
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